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The Synod of North Carolina met in its Seventy-Sixth Annual Session, Tuesday, October 8th, 1889, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., in the First Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C., and was opened with a sermon, at the request of the retiring Moderator, Gen. A. M. Scales, by Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., from Romans x: 15: "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things"

The Synod was then constituted with prayer by Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D.

The following members were present during the sessions of Synod:*

ROLL OF SYNOD.

I. ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
T. U. Faucette, (2)		
	W. G. Smith	Red House.
J. Henry Smith, D. D	W. S. Moore, (2)	Greensboro, 1st Ch.
E. H. Harding, D. D		
F. H. Johnston, D. D		
L. C. Vass, D. D		
C. Miller		
S. M. Smith, D. D		
John S. Watkins, D. D., (3)		
D. I. Craig, (2)		

*The figures after a name denotes the day a member takes his seat.

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MINISTERS	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
Alex. Sprunt	W. S. Clary, (2)	Henderson.
S. O. Hall		
	H. Foard	Leaksville.
W. R. Coppedge		
W. R. Culbertson	J. C. Cannon, (2)	Buffalo.
	A. T. Whitted, (2)	Medway.
E. P. Davis		
G. A Hough		
	W. B. Hamner	Lexington.
	Jas. L. Fowle, (2)	Washington.
J. B. Swann		
W. D. Morton, (2)		
—17	—8	

Of the Presbytery of Orange the following ministers were absent: R. Burwell, D. D., Geo. W. Ferrill, J. M. Atkinson, D. D., C. N. Morrow, H. T. Darnall, J. L. Currie, W. F. Thom, J. N. H. Summerell, S. H. Isler, W. F. Wilhelm, Carr Moore, E. W. Smith, R. P. Pell, J. H. Lacy—14.

The following churches were not represented: Oakland, Milton, Raleigh Second Church, Warrenton, Littleton, Graham, New Bern, Durham, Alamance, Jamestown, Speedwell, Burlington, Stony Creek, Spring-wood, Raleigh First Church, Reidsville, Oak Forest, Mount Vernon, Pittsboro, Gulf, Haywood, Calah, Tarboro, Hillsboro, Little River, Eno, Fairfield, Nutbush, Grassy Creek, Oak Hill, Shiloh, Westminster, Mt. Airy, Madison, Wentworth, Wilson, Rocky Mount, Yanceyville, Grier's, Bethesda, Bethel, Winston, Mebanesville, Bethlehem, Ashboro, Worthville, Nahalah, High Point, Chapel Hill, New Hope, Oxford, Geneva, Hawfields, Cross Roads, Croatan, LaGrange, Elizabeth City, Elkin, Louisburg—59.

II. Concord Presbytery.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
J. Rumple, D. D.,	O. D. Davis	Salisbury.
W. A. Wood, D. D., (2)	J. H. Hill,	Statesville.
Wm. W. Pharr, (2)	J. H. Reid, (2)	Centre.
R. B. Anderson, D. D.	G. P. Erwin, (2)	Morganton.
J. M. Wharey	A. Leazar	Mooresville.
L. K. Glasgow, (3)		
C. M. Payne, (2)	D. F. Cannon, (2)	Concord.

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MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
C. A. Munroe	H. C. Hamilton	Hickory.
J. A. Ramsay	J. K. Graham	Thyatira.
	Thos. McConnell	Back Creek.
W. R. McLelland, (3)	P. B. Kennedy, (2)	Tabor.
R. S. Arrowood		
C. M. Tidball	R. W. Gibson	Concord, (Ire.)
Thos. J. Allison	Dr. J. G. Ramsay	Third Creek.
	Dr. J. R. B. Adams	Fifth Creek.
J. B. Shearer, D. D.		
I. N. Campbell	Wilson Trott	Franklin.
J. G. Anderson, (2)		
R. F. Campbell	W. S. Graves, (3)	Davidson College.
H. G. Gilland	N. Johnston	Poplar Tent.
	E. M. Stevenson, (2)	Taylorsville.
P. H. Dalton, (2)		
W. H. Wilson		
—20	—17	

Of the Presbytery of Concord the following ministers were absent: B. L. Beall, L. McKinnon, D.D., J. W. Davis, D. D., A. L. Crawford. —4.

The following churches were not represented: Prospect, Lenoir, Bethesda, Bethany, Troutman's, Bethphage, Bethel, Shiloh, Clio, Elmwood, Unity, Rocky River, Wilkesboro, Salem, Mocksville, Norwood, Lebanon, Forest, Mizpah, Beulah, Siloam, Drusilla, Marion, Newton, Zion, Old Fort, Turkey Cove, Blowing Rock, Glen Alpine. —29.

III. Fayetteville Presbytery.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
J. M. Clark	D. B. McLean	Antioch.
D. D. McBryde, (2)		
	J. D. McIver, (3)	Carthage.
A. Currie, (2)	R. D. Rowan	Union.
Chalmers Moore, (2)	M. A. McDugald, (2)	Laurinburg.
H. G. Hill, D. D.	J. S. McQueen, (2)	Centre.
	D. McBryde	Maxton.
D. Fairley		
A. N. Ferguson, (2)		
	Alex. McRea, (2)	Smyrna.
K. M. McIntyre		

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MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
K. A. McLeod		
J. S. Black		
P. R. Law	Hon. A. Rowland, (4)	Lumberton.
T. P. Barclay	Dr. J. W. McNeill	Fayetteville.
A. R. Shaw		
	Neill Graham, (2)	Bethesda.
J. B. Mack, D. D., (2)		
—14	—10	

Of the Presbytery of Fayetteville the following ministers were absent: J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D. D., A. McMillan, James McQueen, N. T. Bowden, Joseph Evans, A. McQueen, J. H. Colton, J. W. Johnston.—9.

The following churches were not represented: Philadelphus, Barbacue, Salem, Tirzah, Flat Branch, Bluff, Sardis, Cameron, Culdee, St. Andrews, Mt. Pisgah, White Hill, Ashpole, Iona, Lebanon, Lumber Bridge, Bethlehem, Church of Covenant, Galatia, Sandy Grove, Long Street, Cypress, China Grove, Laurel Hill, Montpelier, Pee Dee, Sharon, Ben Salem, Macedonia, Buffalo, Euphronia, Jonesboro, Big Rockfish, St. Paul's, Mt. Tabor, Sherwood, Mineral Spring, Rockingham, Harmony, Mt. Carmel, Bethel, Mark's Creek, McPherson.—43.

IV. Wilmington Presbytery.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
A. McFadyen		
	Jas. B. Tait, (2)	Bladenboro.
J. W. Primrose, (3)		
P. H. Hoge, D. D.	John McLaurin, (2)	Wilmington First.
J. J. Hines		
J. C. McMullen		
W. McC. Miller		
—6	—2	

Of Wilmington Presbytery the following ministers were absent: D. B. Black, Colin Shaw, James Kelly, B. F. Marable, D. D., Geo. W. McMillan, K. McDonald, J. D. Stanford, Peter McIntyre—7.

Following churches were not represented: Burgaw, Hopewell, Rockfish, Pike, Mt. Zion, Oakplain, Whiteplains, Clinton, Mt. Olive, Warsaw, Beth Car, Clarkton, Mt. Horeb, Whiteville, Black River Chapel, Caswell, Harmony, Keith, St. Andrews, Beulah, Chinquepin,

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Cobb's Mills, Richlands, Sutton's Branch, White Hall, Morehead City, Seminary, Union, Grove, Duplin Road, Goldsboro, Topsail, South River Chapel, New River Chapel, Elizabethtown, Mt. Williams, White Oak—37.

V. Mecklenburg Presbytery.

MINISTERS.	RULING ELDERS.	CHURCHES.
.....	A. G. Brenizer.....	Charlotte First.
G. D. Parks.....	C. W. Wolfe.....	Amity.
R. Z. Johnston.....	W. H. Michal.....	Lincolnton.
J. J. Kennedy.....	J. W. Todd.....	Paw Creek.
.....	J. C. Hutchison, (2).....	Williams Memorial.
S. T. Martin.....		
.....	J. R. Kincaid.....	Olney.
W. E. McIlwain.....	J. R. Shannon.....	Gastonia.
R. D. Perry.....		
R. A. Miller, (2).....		
Wm. R. Atkinson.....		
A. G. Buckner, (2).....		
.....	John Kirk.....	Mallard Creek.
J. L. Williamson.....	R. A. McNeely, (2).....	Sugar Creek.
Roger Martin.....	H. M. Parks.....	Providence.
W. B. Arrowood.....	W. E. McCall, (2).....	Mathew.
.....	J. C. L. Junker.....	Philadelphia.
E. A. Sample.....		
T. A. Wharton.....	A. G. Neal.....	Steel Creek.
R. C. Reed.....	J. B. Rankin.....	Charlotte Second.
W. S. P. Bryan.....		
S. H. Spencer.....		
M. A. Henderson, (2).....		
R. W. Boyd, (2).....		
C. W. Robinson.....		
.....	D. C. McDonald.....	Waxhaws.
J. R. McAlpine, (2).....		
.....	W. A. Berryhill.....	Mulberry.
S. C. Boyce, (2).....		
.....	J. E. Stenhouse.....	Ramah.
Jesse W. Siler.....		
Wm. P. McCorkle.....		
W. C. C. Foster.....		
Geo. W. Belk.....		
—26	—17	

Organization.

Of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg the following ministers were absent: J. E. Morrison, J. D. Hall, Wm. Graves, A. W. Miller, D. D., D. T. Towles, Wm. H. Davis, D. P. Robinson, J. M. McLean, W. J. Erdman, R. A. Mickle —10.

The following churches were not represented: Sharon, Dallas, Goshen, Long Creek, Davidson River, New Hope, Pineville, Pleasant Hill, Hopewell, Union, Wadesboro, Morven, Shelby, Shiloh, King's Mountain, Rutherfordton, Franklin, Morrison, Asheville, Swannanoa, Red Oak, Oak Forest, Sandy Plains, Little Britain, Duncan's Creek, Hephzibah, Unity, Castanea Grove, Machpelah, Monroe, Polkton, Huntersville, Waynesville, Bethel, Hiwassee, Hendersonville, Mills River, Robinson, Bethlehem, Charleston, Lowell.—41.

Ministers present at Synod, 83; Ruling Elders, 54; total, 137.

Rev. James M. Wharey, of the Presbytery of Concord, was chosen Moderator; and Rev. Alex. Sprunt, of Orange Presbytery, and Rev. P. R. Law, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, were elected Temporary Clerks.

The reading of the Minutes of the last Annual Session was dispensed with.

Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., of the Synod of Virginia, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

It was made the order of the day for to-morrow (Wednesday) at 10 o'clock A. M., to hear Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Secretary of the General Assembly's Committee of Publication.

It was also made the special order for 11 o'clock A. M. to hear the reports of the Agents of Sustentation and Evangelistic Labor; and at 7:30 P. M. to hear Rev. W. D. Morton, the Synodical Evangelist, with remarks upon the general subject by the Chairmen of the Presbyterial Committees of Home Missions.

Orders of the Day. Hours of Sessions.

It was ordered that Thursday evening, after the Synodical Communion, the Synod will hear Rev. S. T. Martin, Financial Agent of Union Theological Seminary, concerning the interests of that institution.

It was made the order of the day for Friday evening to hear the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions, with addresses on this subject.

The hours for daily sessions were fixed, from 9:30 A. M. and take recess at 12:30 P. M.; from 3 P. M. to 5 P. M., and from 7:30 P. M. and adjourn at will.

Synod then adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M., and was closed with prayer by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 9th, 1889.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9:30 A. M., and was opened with prayer by Rev. A. Currie.

The minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

A communication was read from Mr. G. B. Hanna, President of the Y. M. C. A. of Charlotte, tendering to the Synod the use of its building and rooms. Synod accepted the invitation and expressed thanks for the courtesies.

Standing Committees.

The Moderator announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. *Bills and Overtures.*—Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D, R. B. Anderson, D. D., G. D. Parks, and Ruling Elder J. W. McNeill.

2. *Judicial Committee.*—Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., F. H. Johnston, D. D., Peyton H. Hoge, D. D., and Ruling Elder A. Leazar.

3. *Address to Churches on the State of Religion.*—Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D., Thos. J. Allison, J. S. Black, and Ruling Elder D. McBryde.

4. *Systematic Beneficence.*—Rev. P. R. Law, A. McFadyen, and Ruling Elder J. K. Graham.

5. *Minutes of General Assembly.*—Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., K. M. McIntyre, J. C. McMullen, and Ruling Elder J. G. Ramsay.

6. *Union Theological Seminary.*—Rev. W. B. Arrowood, S. O. Hall, A. R. Shaw, and Ruling Elder A. G. Neal.

7. *Treasurer's Books.*—Ruling Elders O. D. Davis and W. B. Hamner.

8. *Report of Trustees of Synod.*—Rev. T. P. Barclay, and Ruling Elder H. C. Hamilton.

9. *Devotional Exercises.*—Rev. R. C. Reed, G. D. Parks, and Ruling Elders A. G. Brenizer and J. B. Rankin.

10. *Statistical Reports.*—Rev. W. E. McIlwain, J. J. Kennedy, and Ruling Elder W. H. Michal.

11. *Synodical Records.*—Rev. R. Z. Johnston, C. W. Robinson, and Ruling Elder N. Johnston.

12. *Leave of Absence.*—Rev. Wm. R. Atkinson, Roger Martin, W. R. Coppedge, R. W. Culbertson, and Ruling Elder H. Foard.

Moderator announced the following Committees on

PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

Orange.—Rev. H. G. Gilland and Ruling Elder R. W. Gibson.

Concord.—Rev. J. M. Clark and Ruling Elder W. A. Berryhill.

Fayetteville.—Rev. C. A. Munroe and Ruling Elder Thos. McConnell.

Wilmington.—Rev. G. A. Hough and Ruling Elder J. R. B. Adams

Mecklenburg.—Rev. R. S. Arrowood and Ruling Elder J. H. Hill.

Reports from Presbyteries. Corresponding Members.

Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries were presented and referred to the Committee on Statistical Reports. (Appendix, Paper A.)

Narratives of the State of Religion from the Presbyteries were presented, and referred to the Committee to prepare an Address to the Churches.

Reports on Systematic Beneficence from the Presbyteries were presented, and referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence. (Appendix B.)

Presbyterial Records were presented and referred to the respective Committees on Presbyterial Records.

The annual report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary was read and referred to the Committee on Union Theological Seminary. (Appendix, Paper C.)

This Committee was also instructed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies which occur in the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

Rev. Messrs. Geo. Summey, G. S. Robinson and Geo. L. Cook, of the Synod of South Carolina, were invited to sit as corresponding members, and were introduced to the Synod.

An Overture from Mecklenburg Presbytery was read and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

It is as follows:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

Mecklenburg Presbytery, believing that there is a tendency, both among ministers and members of our churches, to looseness of views on the question of the wisdom and propriety of inviting and encouraging self-appointed Evangelists to hold meetings in our churches and villages, thus subverting order by recognizing irresponsible revivalists

in the exercise of that authority which Christ committed to ordained ministers (1 Tim. 4:14); most respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina, at its sessions in Charlotte, to make a deliverance on this subject, defining the position of our Church on this subject, that the law of Christ may be known and the practice of our people may be uniform throughout our churches.

By order of Presbytery.

Attest:— R. Z. JOHNSTON, *Stated Clerk.*

Goshen Church, September 30th, 1889.

An Overture was read from the Presbytery of Concord, and referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures. This action was afterward reconsidered, and paper was referred to the Synodical Evangelistic Committee. It is as follows:

The Presbytery of Concord, having carefully considered the proposed plan for readjustment of the territory among the Presbyteries, in order to give to each a sufficiency of mission ground, would respectfully overture the Synod of North Carolina to approve of the scheme proposed by the Committee on Readjustment, with the following exceptions.

1. That Orange Presbytery retain the County of Davidson, as being closely linked with some of its churches.

2. That the County of Stanley, adjacent to Fayetteville Presbytery, be transferred from Concord to Fayetteville Presbytery.

3. That the County of Wilkes, with its church and territory closely connected with Concord, be retained in Concord Presbytery.

WILLIAM W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk of Concord Presbytery.

Done in Presbytery April 16th, 1889.

A communication was received from Rev Wm. P. Jacobs, Superintendent of the Thornwell Orphanage, which was read and referred to the Commission on the Orphans' Home. The subject of this paper was a request that the Synod of North Carolina appoint two of its number as members of the Board of Visitors of the Thornwell Orphanage.

Report of Committee on Synodical Evangelization.

The Synod then heard Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Secretary of the General Assembly's Executive Committee, on the subject of Publication and Colportage.

The report of the Agent of Sustentation, Rev. J. M. Wharey, was read, received and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes, and a copy be sent to the *North Carolina Presbyterian* with request for publication. (Appendix D, I.)

The report of the Special Committee on Evangelistic Labor, Rev. J. W. Primrose, Chairman, was presented and read by the Secretary, Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D. The report is as follows:

The Special Committee on Synodical Evangelization appointed by the last Synod was charged with the duty (1) of selecting an Evangelist, if the way were clear as to support, and directing his labors until the next meeting of Synod; (2) of thoroughly considering the question of a more equal distribution of the territory of Synod among the Presbyteries, to report to the next meeting of Synod and publish their report in the *North Carolina Presbyterian* at least two months before the meeting of Synod; (3) of ascertaining the cost of publishing the map of Synod in miniature for distribution among our churches in the interest of our Evangelistic work.

To this Committee was also referred a memorial from Orange Presbytery asking help from Synod in overtaking the destitution of its large mission territory, whether by a scheme of Synodical Evangelization, a re-adjustment of the boundaries of the existing Presbyteries, the erection of a new Presbytery, or some other method by which all the Presbyteries would co-operate in this work.

Your Committee would report that it has had a solemn sense of the importance of the issues involved, and has devoted much time, thought and prayer to the solution of these problems. What it presents to Synod is the result of its mature deliberations, and it asks the calm and unprejudiced judgment of all the members of Synod upon all its acts and recommendations.

1. It gives us pleasure to report that by the blessing of God we have been enabled to discharge the first duty imposed upon us in a manner

that we are sure has given universal satisfaction; that judging the way clear as to support, we have been able to place in the field as our Synodical Evangelist, Rev. W. D. Morton, late of the Synod of Missouri, who has already had large and successful experience of this very work in the Synod of Kentucky; that he entered upon his labors on June 7, and has labored since then with great success and manifest tokens of the blessing of God, his time having been divided under the direction of the Committee between the Presbyteries of Concord and Mecklenburg; and that his salary, which was fixed at $2,000, payable quarterly in advance, has been paid for the first six months.

2. With respect to the re-distribution of territory, and the appeal from Orange Presbytery for relief, we recommend to Synod the following plan for its adoption:

(1) That the portion of Orange Presbytery lying east of the western boundaries of Granville and Wake Counties, be erected into a new Presbytery to be called the Presbytery of ——, and that Synod pledge to said Presbytery the time of one Evangelist for six months in each year for five years, and $500 a year for its general mission work for the same period.

(2) That Goldsboro be transferred from Wilmington to the said new Presbytery, and that that portion of Craven County south of the Trent River be transferred to Wilmington, so that the Southern boundary of the new Presbytery shall be as follows: Along the Southern boundaries of Wake and Johnston Counties to the Neuse River; thence along the Neuse to the Northern boundary of Jones County; thence along the Northern boundary of Jones to the Trent River; thence along the Trent River to its mouth.

(3) That the three Counties of Orange Presbytery, Davidson, Randolph and Chatham, lying North of Fayetteville Presbytery, be transferred to Fayetteville, and that the three Northwestern Counties of Concord Presbytery, Ashe, Alleghany and Wilkes, be transferred to Orange.

3. For the permanent conduct of the Evangelistic work of the Synod we recommend that a permanent Committee on Synodical Evangelization be constituted, the Chairman of which shall be the Synod's Agent of Evangelistic Labor, and which shall be composed of the Chairman of the Committee of Home Missions from each Presbytery, and one Ruling Elder from each Presbytery; and that further to expedite its work the Committee may appoint such of its own members

as are convenient to the Chairman, a Sub-committee for the transaction of the ordinary business of the Committee, and from this number should be appointed a Secretary and Treasurer.

4. For the support of this work the Committee will need not less than $2,600; we recommend, therefore, that the following sums be apportioned to the Presbyteries to be forwarded in quarterly instalments to the Treasurer of this Committee by the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee in each Presbytery: Orange $400, Concord $400, Fayetteville $400, Wilmington $400, Mecklenburg $500, and the new Presbytery $125; and that to the same object be further applied an annual Synodical collection, and the funds collected by the Evangelist in the field.

5. With reference to the publication in miniature of the Synodical Map, we find that a map, the plates of which are already prepared, can be furnished with the boundaries and names of Presbyteries and the location of churches indicated by numbers referring to the names in the margin, all printed in good color, can be had at the rate of $75.00 for 500 copies. We are not satisfied, however, that this is the best we can do, and recommend that the matter be referred to the permanent Committee, with power to act, if the way be clear, as to expenses.

Pending further action upon this report, Rev. Messrs. Solomon Pool, D. D., and S. R. Belk, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were invited to sit as visiting members; and Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., of the Synod of Memphis, was invited to sit as a corresponding member. These brethren were introduced to the Synod.

The Synod then took recess until 3 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

The Synod met after recess and resumed its business.

The unfinished business, viz: Report of the Committee of Evangelistic Labor, was taken up and further discussed.

The third recommendation of the second section of the

Committee's report was recommitted to the Committee, together with the Overture from Concord Presbytery, bearing upon the same subject. The remaining recommendations of the Committee on Evangelistic Labor were adopted.

Rev. W. H. McMeen, of the Synod of South Georgia and Florida, and Rev. Thos. Lawrence, D. D., of the Synod of Catawba, were invited to sit as corresponding members, and were introduced to the Synod.

A special Committee, consisting of Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., L. C. Vass, D. D., and Ruling Elder Jas. L. Fowle, was appointed to report concerning the formation and organization of the new Presbytery.

It was made the Order of the Day for 10 A. M. to-morrow (Thursday) to hear Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., Secretary of the General Assembly's Executive Committee of Education.

It was made the Order of the Day for 11 A. M. to-morrow (Thursday) to hear the report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools, with an address by Hon. A. Leazar.

A conference on the subject of the "North Carolina Presbyterian" was made the first Order of the Day for to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon.

The Committee on the Records of Synod, Rev. R. Z. Johnston, Chairman, reported that they "find the records correct, and the work of the Stated Clerk done in a most satisfactory manner." The report was received and adopted.

The action of the General Assembly touching the judicial case known as the "Robinson case," was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Reports of Evangelists.

Rev. Roger Martin was excused from serving on the Committee on Leave of Absence, and Rev. J. L. Williamson was appointed in his place.

Synod then took recess until 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator, Synod heard Rev. W. D. Morton, Synod's Evangelist, concerning the Evangelistic work of the Synod.

Rev F. H. Johnston, D. D., and Rev. J. B. Mack. D. D., Evangelists of Orange and Fayetteville Presbyteries, also addressed the Synod, concerning the Evangelistic work in their respective Presbyteries.

A collection was taken up in behalf of the Synod's Evangelistic work, which amounted to $110.00.

The report of Rev. W. D. Morton, Evangelist of Synod, was read, approved, and ordered to be spread upon the records. It is as follows:

SUMMARY OF EVANGELISTIC WORK FROM JUNE 7TH TO OCT. 7TH, 1889.

Families visited	130
Services held	200
Confessions and renewals	114
Added to the Church	82
Adults baptized	17
Infants "	17
Money collected for work	$189 15
Elders ordained and installed	1
Deacons " " "	1

Resolution. Order of the Day.

The following resolution was presented and adopted :

Resolved, That Synod has heard with profound gratitude to God of the work that has been accomplished by the Synodical Evangelist, and commends him to its people to be supported not only by their contributions, but by their prayers.

It was made the Order of the Day for 12 M. to morrow (Thursday) to hear the report of the Committee on the Orphans' Home.

Rev. Thos. H. Law, of the Synod of South Carolina, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

The Synod then adjourned until to morrow at 9:30 A M., and was closed with prayer by Rev. P. H. Dalton.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY, October 10th, 1889.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9:30 A. M., and was opened with prayer by Ruling Elder Dr. J. G. Ramsay.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. Messrs. W. R. Coppedge, J. Henry Smith, D. D., and J. H. Hill, Ruling Elder, were appointed a Committee to prepare a response to the address of Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Secretary of Publication.

The Committee to examine the Records of Wilmington Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Hough, Chairman, reported recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee to examine the Records of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. R S. Arrowood, Chairman, reported, recommending their approval. The report was received and adopted.

Rev. J. W. Primrose, Agent of Evangelistic Labor, was excused from presenting his annual report, on account of sickness.

Rev. J. Alston Ramsay was unanimously re-elected Stated Clerk of Synod.

The Presbyterial Committees appointed to co-operate with the Financial Agent of Union Theological Seminary in securing funds for the endowment of the Fifth Professorship, reported (with the exception of Orange Presbytery), and these reports were received and approved and the Committees discharged.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and the Synod heard Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., Secretary of the General Assembly's Executive Committee of Education.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod has heard with pleasure and profit the instructive address of Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., concerning the condition, methods and prospects of the Asesmbly's Committee of Education.

Rev. T. S. Brown, of the Lutheran Church, was invited to sit as a visiting brother, and Rev. W. G. Neville, of the Synod of South Carolina, as a corresponding member; and they were introduced to the Synod.

Order of the Day. Report on Sabbath Schools.

It was made the Order of the Day to-night after the address of Rev. S. Taylor Martin, to hear the report of Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Synod's Agent of Education.

The following resolutions were presented and received, and made the special Order of the Day for this afternoon:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod of North Carolina do hereby invite the Sister Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and South Georgia and Florida to a conference concerning our mutual necessities in the matter of Christian education.

2. That the Synod appoint three Commissioners, who shall meet with similar Commissioners from the other Synods (in case they shall appoint the same) and confer and recommend to the Synod whatever may seem to them desirable and practicable in furtherance of church education.

3. That the Commissioners are further instructed to extend this invitation of the Synod of North Carolina to the Synods named, in such manner as may seem best.

The Agent of Sabbath Schools, Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D., presented his annual report, which was received, and, pending its adoption, the Synod heard, by invitation, an address on the subject of Sabbath Schools, by Hon. A. Leazar.

Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., of the Synod of Kentucky, and Edward Lane, D. D., of the Synod of Brazil, were invited to sit as corresponding members, and were introduced to the Synod.

The further consideration of the Report on Sabbath Schools was made the first Order of the Day for Friday afternoon.

The Commission, appointed at the last meeting of Synod concerning the establishment of an Orphans' Home in the bounds of the Synod, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman, presented their report, which was received, amended

and approved, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. W. E. McIlwain, L. C. Vass, D. D., G. D. Park and Ruling Elders G. P. Erwin and D. F. Cannon, to fill out the blanks in the report.

The report of the Commission is as follows:

To the Synod of North Carolina:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Chairman of the Commission appointed by Synod at Goldsboro, October 27th, 1888, to arrange for the establishment of an Orphans' Home within the bounds of the Synod, called a meeting of the Commission in Greensboro, February 21st, 1889 The members attending this meeting prepared and sent out a circular, asking the co-operation of the Presbyteries, and reports from them as to the extent of the aid they would render to the proposed Institution. The Chairman received these reports, and a synopsis of them, together with all the original documents, was presented to the Commission at Charlotte, October 9th, 1889. The following is the Chairman's report:

To the Synodical Commission for the Establishment of an Orphans' Home:

GENTLEMEN: As Chairman of your Commission I would respectfully report concerning the duties imposed on me, that I have secured responses from all the five Presbyteries in regard to their action concerning the proposed Home.

I. Orange Presbytery endorses the action of the Synod and commends the cause to her churches. The Presbytery is persuaded that the churches will contribute $500 a year towards its support, and will increase that sum as necessity demands. No offers of land or money for the erection of the Home are made.

(See minutes Orange Presbytery April, 1889, p. 79.)

II. Fayetteville Presbytery assures the other Presbyteries of her hearty interest in the scheme, and pledges her co-operation in building up and maintaining such an Institution. This Presbytery recommends the acceptance of Dr. McKay's generous offer of one hundred acres of land and buildings, at Summerville, unless a more advantageous offer be made elsewhere. (See minutes.)

III. Wilmington Presbytery instructs Dr. Marable to lay before the Commission the offer of a tract containing one hundred acres of valuable land in Columbus County, on the Wilmington, Chadbourn and Conway Railway, sixty miles from Wilmington, made by the

Orphans' Home.

Chadbourn Mill and Railway Company, together with free transportation of material on the railroad. The land has sufficient timber and brick clay on it for all building purposes. No offer of funds for erecting buildings or support for the Home is made by this Presbytery. (See papers.)

IV. The responses from the churches of Concord Presbytery assure us of their willingness to co-operate in the building up and maintaining an Orphans' Home. One church—Davidson College—offers $20 annually. The Salisbury church and some of the citizens of Salisbury, make the following offers, viz:

1st. Three parties offer the choice of several ten-acre lots, in the immediate vicinity of Salisbury, each of them desirable and of an average value of $50 per acre, upon condition that the Home shall be located upon them

2nd. The Session of the Salisbury church pledges $500 in cash within the year 1890, provided the Home is located at or near Salisbury, *i. e.* on either of these lots.

3rd. The Session of the Salisbury church further pledges $250 in cash towards the establishment of an Orphans' Home by the Synod, wherever located, as soon as the scheme seems feasible and likely to be put in operation. The Session also assures the Synod that the church will aid in the support of the Home wherever located.

4th. A gentleman of Salisbury pledges himself for $50 towards the erection of the Home, provided it is located at Salisbury. (See papers and pledges.)

V. Mecklenburg Presbytery approves the Synod's movement, and assures the Commission that the Charlotte churches will turn over to the Home its subscription lists to the Home in Charlotte, about $750 per annum, together with $400 pledged by individuals for a building fund.

Sunday Schools and individuals have agreed to be responsible for the yearly support of at least four orphans.

Presbytery specially commended to churches the plan of becoming responsible for the support of one or more orphans in the Synod's Home. (See paper from Stated Clerk)

The above is a synopsis of the responses from the Presbyteries, and is respectfully submitted, along with the original papers.

J. RUMPLE,
Chairman of the Commission.

Orphans' Home.

After a careful consideration of this report, and the documents accompanying it, the Commission unanimously resolved to make the following recommendations for the adoption of Synod, viz:

1st. That the Orphans' Home be located at or near Charlotte, N. C., and that the offer of the ladies conducting the Orphans' Home and Hospital be accepted, and the thanks of the Synod be tendered to them for their generous gift.

2nd. That although declining the offers of other locations, the Synod is deeply sensible of the generosity that has prompted these offers, and tenders its thanks to Rev. Neill McKay, D.D., to the Chadbourn Mill and Railway Company, to the Session of the Salisbury church, and to the citizens of Salisbury, who have tendered lots and money towards the establishment of the "Home" upon condition that it should be located upon the property tendered.

3rd. That the Synod appoint a "Board of Regency," consisting of eight members, who shall have the management of the institution, who shall hold office for four years, so arranged that two shall go out of office at the meeting of Synod each year, but eligible to re-election by the Synod at the expiration of their term of office.

4th. This Board of Regency shall have power to elect one of their number Chairman, also a Treasurer and Secretary, and to appoint such Executive Committees, and employ such Superintendents, managers, teachers and other helps as the necessities of the Home may require. None of these officials need be members of the Board except the Chairman.

5th. The Board of Regency is hereby directed to procure by purchase or donation an amount of land not less than ten acres, in the vicinity of Charlotte, N. C., suitable for the Home, and erect upon it such buildings as may be needed, as soon as the way may be clear without contracting debt, vesting the title in the Trustees of the Synod of North Carolina.

6th. The Board of Regency is directed to incorporate the industrial feature in the management of the "Home," requiring the beneficiaries to labor daily at domestic employments, gardening, agricultural labor, or mechanical pursuits. Said Board of Regency shall meet on———day of———at Charlotte, for the purpose of effecting an organization under this plan.

Orphans' Home.

7th. The Board of Regency is especially charged with the moral and religious instruction of the Orphans, providing them with all the benefits of a Christian home, with instruction in the word of God by daily religious services, Sabbath Schools, and attendance upon the public services of the Church.

8th. The Board of Regency is directed to apply to all the churches in the Synod for funds to aid in establishing and supporting the Orphans' Home, and to make a complete report of its condition, its finances, number of helps, and number of Orphans, annually, to the Synod of North Carolina.

9th. Orphans and friendless children may be received into the Home at the age of six years, upon the recommendation of the Sessions of the several Presbyterian churches in the bounds of the Synod, and not otherwise; and remain until they are sixteen years of age, unless provided with suitable homes elsewhere, or dismissed from the institution as incorrigible, or injurious to the other inmates, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

10th. These regulations may be changed by the Synod at any regular meeting, as the suggestions of experience, and the necessities of the institution may demand.

Your Committee considered the proposition of the Rev. W. P. Jacobs, of the Thornwell Orphanage, at Clinton, S. C., to appoint two members of its Board of Visitors, and would recommend that the Synod decline the offer, as calculated to direct the attention and symthies of our churches and people from our own enterprise.

And further, that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to tender our thanks to the authorities of the Thornwell Orphanage for their kind proposition.

By order of the Commission.

J. RUMPLE, *Chairman.*

Rev. Wm. R. Atkinson, Principal of Charlotte Female Institute, extended a cordial invitation to the Synod to a concert and tea at the Institute to-morrow (Friday) evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Synod then took recess until 3 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After recess the Synod resumed its business.

The Committee to examine the Records of Fayetteville Presbytery, Rev. C. A. Munroe, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved :

We recommend that the Records be approved as far as written, with the following exceptions :

(1.) That the Records were not presented at the last meeting of Synod.

(2.) The answer of Presbytery on page 317, to the overture of P. C. Shaw on page 299, is incomplete, in that the Presbytery does not *say* whether an Elder against whom civil process is pending, is or is not eligible to representation in Church Courts.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and the Editor of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, Mr. John McLaurin, was heard in the interest of that paper.

Addresses were also made on the same subject by various brethren, after which Synod re-affirmed its action taken last year.

It was made the Third Order of the Day to-morrow (Friday) to hear Rev. Thos. H. Law, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, on the work of the Society.

It was made the First Order of the Day to-morrow (Friday) afternoon to hear Rev. Dr. Shearer on the resolutions introduced by him this morning.

The following Ruling Elders were appointed on the Synod's Committee on Evangelistic Labor :

From Orange Presbytery—Gen. A. M. Scales.
" Concord Presbytery—Mr. I. H. Foust.
" Fayetteville Presbytery—Dr. J. W. McNeill.
" Wilmington Presbytery—Mr. B. F. Hall.
" Mecklenburg Presbytery—Gen. Rufus Barringer.
" Albemarle Presbytery—Mr. Samuel Watkins.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises, Rev. R. C. Reed, Chairman, presented a report concerning the Synodical Communion this evening, which was received and approved.

Recess was taken until 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

In accordance with a standing rule of the Synod, it is made the Order of the Day for Thursday evening to hold the Synodical Communion.

After devotional exercises the Synod united in the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and the Synod heard Rev. S. Taylor Martin, Financial Agent of Union Theological Seminary, Virginia, in the interests of that Institution. At the conclusion of his address the following was adopted :

WHEREAS, The Synod of North Carolina has heard the Rev. S. Taylor Martin's instructive address in the presentation of the advantages and the needs of Union Theological Seminary, and its claims upon the support of this Synod; therefore,

Resolved, 1*st*, That the Synod returns its thanks to Bro. Martin for his admirable address.

Resolved, 2*nd*, That Synod hereby enjoins the Presbyteries under its jurisdiction to use all legitimate means to send the candidates for the ministry under their care, to Union Theological Seminary, or at least, some other of our Theological Seminaries.

Resolved, 3*rd*, That the importance of the endowment of the Fifth Professorship at Union Theological Seminary be commended to all our people, as deserving of their liberal contributions.

Report of Committee on Bills and Overtures.

It was made the Second Order of the Day for to-morrow (Friday) afternoon to hear the report of the Agent of Education.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Chairman, offered the following report, which was received and adopted:

We find nothing calling for the attention of the Synod, except such things as the Synod has already taken up in due course of business.

The Committe on Bills and Overtures, Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Committee on Bills and Overtures to whom was referred the Overture of Mecklenburg Presbytery in reference to the wisdom and propriety of inviting and encouraging self-appointed Evangelists, and irresponsible revivalists to hold meetings in our churches, and villages; and asking Synod to make a deliverance, defining the position of our Church on this subject, in order that the law of Christ may be known, and that the practice of our people may be uniform throughout our churches, would recommend the following answer by the Synod:

According to our Form of Government, "the Church Session consists of the Pastor or Pastors, if there be any, and the Ruling Elders of a church." The Church Session is charged with maintaining the spiritual government of the church. Part of their solemn duty is to concert the best measures for promoting the spiritual interests of the church and congregation, and "to assemble the people for worship when there is no minister." Our Form of Government expressly directs that "when churches are destitute of the official ministrations of the word, they ought not for that reason to forsake the assembling of themselves together, but should be convened by the Session on the Lord's Day, and at other suitable times, for prayer, praise, the reading of the Holy Scriptures, and exhortation, or the reading of a sermon of some approved minister," that "Christians whose lot is cast in destitute regions" (even without church organization or minister or elder) "should meet as above for the worship of God."

In view of such declarations of our Book of Church Order, we would be far, therefore, from forbidding or restraining such forms of Christian

activity and zeal for the edification of Christians and the conversion of sinners.

Synod would rejoice to know that there were earnest and active Christian men in all our congregations, ready and willing thus to work in co-operation and at the invitation of our ministers and Sessions, who, by our Book, are charged with the responsibility of devising such work, and adopting the best measures for promoting the spiritual interests of the Church and the community. No one, not even an ordained minister, should be invited or encouraged to hold meetings without the consent, much less against the will, of the Session of the church within whose bounds such meetings are proposed to be held. Still less should "irresponsible persons," or so-called "revivalists," be encouraged, and yet we would not restrain or forbid our Sessions and pastors from holding protracted meetings, and encouraging our private male members of prudence, intelligence, piety, soundness in the faith and zeal to co-operate with them in "holding forth the word of life." We would that more of the Lord's servants were prophets, and were ready and willing to point sinners to the Lamb of God. The Synod believes that far more of this sort of work by Christian laymen might be done, and should be done, without at all encroaching upon the high and sacred position of the ordained presbyters or elders (teaching or ruling) of the Church of God. Such men may hold meetings, may talk to sinners, may "hold forth the word of life," while yet not empowered to rule in the church, or to administer the Sacraments of baptism or the Lord's Supper.

"Self-appointed" evangelists and "irresponsible revivalists" should be discouraged and discountenanced; but holy men of God, zealous in good works, having the confidence of their brethren, and capable of speaking and willing to speak for Christ and His gospel, should be encouraged, but always in co-operation with, and under the oversight of the ordained rulers and overseers of Christ's Church.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence, Rev. P. R. Law, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence respectfully submit the following report for the year ending March 31st, 1889:

Report on Systematic Beneficence.

1.	173	Churches	contributed to	Sustentation	$ 5,843 68
2.	163	"	"	" Evangelistic Fund	3,764 69
3.	127	"	"	" Invalid Fund	1,018 41
4.	187	"	"	" Foreign Missions	14,040 41
5.	156	"	"	" Education	4,829 23
6.	126	"	"	" Publication	829 08
7.	3	"	"	" Colportage	16 00
8.	78	"	"	" Tuscaloosa Institute	370 56
9.	6	"	"	" Bible Cause	26 81
10.	—	"	"	" Miscellaneous	11,469 70
		Total			$42,208 57

Being $2,252.42 less than was contributed for the year ending March 31st, 1888.

The Synod then adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. and was closed with prayer by the Moderator.

FOURTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 11th, 1889.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod convened at 9:30 A. M., and was opened with prayer by Ruling Elder E. M. Stevenson.

The minutes of the Third Day's Session were read and approved.

The Treasurer of the Synod, Mr. W. S. Primrose, by letter, tendered his resignation of this office, which was accepted, and the nomination of his successor was referred to the Committee on the Treasurer's book and account.

The Committee to examine the Records of Orange Presbytery, Rev. H. G. Gilland, Chairman, reported, that the records are unusually well arranged and written, and recommended their approval. The report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Union Theological Seminary, Rev. W. B. Arrowood, Chairman, presented their report, which was received, and, after discussion, was recommitted.

Ruling Elder G. P. Erwin was added to the Committee on the Treasurer's books.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina has heard with pleasure the address of Hon. A. Leazar on the "Origin and Purpose of Sabbath Schools," and hereby returns thanks to him for the same.

The First Order of the Day was taken up, and the Agent of Publication and Colportage, Rev. J. S. Watkins, D. D., read his annual report, which was received and approved, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the minutes. (See Appendix, Paper D. II.)

The Trustees of Synod, Col. John E. Brown, Chairman, presented their annual report, which was read and referred to the Committee on the Report of the Trustees.

It is as follows:

The Trustees of your venerable body respectfully report:

That there has been no change in the condition of the finances of the Synod in the hands of your Trustees, since the last report at Goldsboro, N. C., and your Trustees have not been advised of any business of your body requiring their attention.

By order of the Board.

J. E. Brown, *Chairman*.

Reports of Committees.

The Committee to prepare a response to the address of Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Rev. W. R. Coppedge, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

This Synod, after hearing with profound interest the address of Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Secretary of Publication, desires to express its gratification in seeing the great measure of success with which his labors in this important branch of work has been crowned.

In commending this cause anew to the liberality of God's people, we would urge upon the churches a more generous consideration of its claims than has heretofore been accorded; and would impress upon the Presbyteries the importance of requiring that every church, as far as practicable, have the opportunity given it to make at least one annual contribution.

The Synod would further remind our people, that by a more exclusive use of our own literature in our Sunday schools and Bible classes our Committee of Publication would be enabled to improve further its periodicals, and furnish them at smaller cost, thus giving them Sunday school supplies and other publications, such as we can safely put into the hands of our children, at a cost no greater than that at which they are sometimes provided with literature containing insidious and dangerous errors.

The Synod would moreover request all its ministers to explain to its congregations the necessity of our sustaining our own Publication house, as one great evangelizing agency, both by generous patronage and liberal contributions, and to show them that the Committee of Publication, being free from burden of debt it so long had to carry, can now expend the entire contributions of the Church to this cause in the circulation of our literature by donations and colportage.

The Committee on Statistical Reports offered the following partial report, which was received and adopted:

Your Committee recommend that the following Committee be appointed to prepare suitable minutes touching the death of the brethren deceased since the last meeting of Synod:

On the death of Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D.—Rev R. W. Boyd.
On the death of Rev. Hector McLean—Rev. A. N. Ferguson.
On the death of Rev. Chas. Phillips, D. D.- Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D.

Bible Cause. Board of Regency of Orphans' Home.

It was made the Order of the Day for to-night after the consideration of Foreign Missions, to hear the memorials of deceased members of the Synod.

The Order of the Day was taken up, and Rev. Thos. H. Law, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, was heard in the interest of that Society. At the conclusion of his address the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of facts brought to the attention of Synod by Rev. Thos. H. Law, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the important matter of Bible distribution, and suggest some method of promoting interest in it among our churches.

In accordance with this resolution the following Committee was appointed: Rev. Messrs. C. Miller, E. W. Smith and Judge R. P. Dick.

The Committee appointed to fill the blanks and nominate a Board of Regency for the Orphans' Home, Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

1st We recommend that the report of the Commission adopted on yesterday be reconsidered for the purpose of altering the number of Regents from eight to ten.

2nd. We nominate the following to compose the Board:

From Mecklenburg Presbytery: Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, George Wilson, Esq., and Mr. John E. Oates.

From Concord Presbytery: Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., and Mr. G. M. Love.

From Orange Presbytery: Rev. D. I. Craig and Hon. A. M. Scales.

From Wilmington Presbytery: Geo. Chadbourn, Esq.

From Fayetteville Presbytery: Rev. D. D. McBryde.

From Albemarle Presbytery: Hon. D. G. Fowle.

3rd. That Hon. A. M. Scales and Mr. John E. Oates hold office for five years.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D, and Rev. D. I. Craig hold office for four years.

Geo. Chadbourn, Esq., and G. M. Love hold office for three years.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain and Geo. E. Wilson, Esq., hold office for two years.

Hon. D. G. Fowle and Rev. D. D. McBryde hold office for one year.

4th. That five of this number shall constitute a quorum of the Board of Regency.

5th. That the time of the first meeting of the Board shall be the first Wednesday of November, proximo, at 3 P. M., in the First Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, N. C.

6th. That Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., act as temporary chairman of the Board to call the Board together for permanent organization.

The Synod then took recess until 3 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

After recess the Synod met.

The report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools was taken up, discussed and approved, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. (Appendix, D. III.)

The following recommendation appended to the report was adopted :

I recommend that the special attention of the Presbyteries be called by the Synod to the recommendations of the General Assembly, on pages 602, 603, of the Minutes of 1889.

The following resolution touching the same subject was also adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed consisting of the various Presbyterial Agents, whose chairman shall be the Synodical Agent, to

consider the question of increasing the efficiency of our Presbyterial Agents, and propose a plan to report at the next meeting of Synod.

It was made the Third Order of the Day for this afternoon to hear the report of the Judicial Committee.

The Committee on Evangelistic Labor presented the following report, which was taken up *seriatim*, amended and adopted. It is as follows:

The Committee on Synodical Evangelization respectfully report that it has examined the overture of Concord Presbytery proposing amendments to the third recommendation of the second section of the Committee's report, and recommends to Synod the adoption of the following answer:

1. It is inexpedient to transfer Stanley County from Concord to Fayetteville Presbytery.

2. It is inexpedient to transfer Ashe and Alleghany Counties to Orange Presbytery without the transfer of Wilkes.

3. That the article of the Committee's report which was recommitted be amended by striking out the name of Davidson County.

The third recommendation of the second section of the Committee's original report having thus been amended by striking out Davidson County, a division of the question on the original report was called for, and the question was put on the adoption of that portion that referred to the transfer of Randolph and Chatham to Fayetteville, and it was adopted; the question was then put on the transfer of Ashe, Alleghany and Wilkes to Orange Presbytery, and it was also adopted. The original report as amended was adopted.

The Special Committee to consider and recommend the order of procedure in the constituting of the new Presbytery set off from the Presbytery of Orange, Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

Report of Committee on the New Presbytery. Judicial Committee.

1. That the new Presbytery be called the Presbytery of Albemarle, composed of the following ministers, viz: R. Burwell, D. D., Geo. W. Ferrill, J. M. Atkinson, D. D., J. S. Watkins, D. D, Alex. Sprunt, Carr Moore, R. P. Pell, J. N. H. Summerell, L. C. Vass, D. D., J. C. McMullen, J. B. Swann, W. D. Morton and S. H. Isler—13; and comprising the following churches, viz: Oakland, Raleigh First Church, Raleigh Second Church, Louisburg, Henderson, Oxford, Geneva, Oak Hill, Shiloh, Grassy Creek, Nutbush, Warrenton, Littleton, Elizabeth City, Washington, Tarboro, Nahalah, Rocky Mount, Wilson, New Bern, LaGrange and Goldsboro—22.

2. That this Presbytery be directed to hold their first meeting in the Presbyterian church, Goldsboro, N. C., on Wednesday, November 20th, 1889, at 7:30 P. M., and that Rev. Dr. Atkinson, with Dr. Vass as alternate, preach the opening sermon, and act as Moderator until a Moderator be chosen.

The Order of the Day was then taken up, and Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., was heard on the subject of Davidson College, Christian Education, and the resolutions introduced by him on yesterday.

The report of the Agent of Education was made the Order of the Day for to morrow (Saturday) at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Judicial Committee, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman, presented a report in reference to the complaint of Mecklenburg Presbytery against the action of Synod in the case of Rev. D. P. Robinson. This report was received, and made the Order of the Day for to-morrow (Saturday) at 11 A. M.

The resolutions offered on yesterday touching the appointment of Commissioners to confer with Sister Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and South Georgia and Florida, on the subject of Christian Education, were adopted by the Synod.

Foreign Missions.

The Moderator then appointed as Commissioners, Rev. J. B. Shearer, D. D., Rev. J. S. Watkins, D. D., and Gen. R. Barringer.

The Synod then took recess until 7:30 P. M.

Evening Session.

After recess the Synod met and resumed its business.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Moderator, Rev. J. W. Primrose and Rev. C. Moore, the Agent of Foreign Missions, Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, presented his annual report, which was received; and, pending its adoption, the Synod was addressed by Rev. M. H. Houston, D. D., and Rev. Edward Lane, D. D.

At the conclusion of these addresses, the following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved 1*st*. That the Synod rejoices in the opportunity of hearing our honored Secretary, and our beloved brother, himself a missionary and representative of a missionary Synod.

Resolved 2*d*. That with increased earnestness we commend their cause to the prayers and liberality of our churches. And especially do we invoke upon our brother Lane, in view of his early return to foreign lands, the constant presence and the rich blessing of that Lord by whose command and commission he has devoted his life to this great and growing work.

Resolved 3*d*. That through him this Synod convey to the Synod of Brazil its cordial, Christian salutation, and the assurance that we shall ever invoke upon them the blessings of our common Master.

Resolutions on Foreign Missions.

Rev. B. Palmer Reid, of the Synod of South Carolina, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and was introduced to the Synod.

The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was then approved and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. (Appendix D, IV.)

The following resolutions appended to the report were adopted:

1. That Pastors and Evangelists be directed to present to our people not only the claims of a dying world, but also the attractive and honorable features of the missionary's work, and to press upon the consciences of suitable men and women the duty of consecrating themselves to this holy cause.

2. That in view of the various aspects of this work demanding detailed consideration, Synod will set apart Thursday of its next meeting, or so much of it as may be necessary, for the cause of Foreign Missions, and will devote that time to devising measures for increasing the interest, developing the liberality and enlisting more of our men and women in the work of Foreign Missions.

3. That a Committee be appointed, consisting of Synod's Agent and the Agents of the different Presbyteries, to be called the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions, which shall be charged with the execution of the action of Synod from year to year for the furtherance of Foreign Missions.

4. That this Committee be instructed during the next year:

(1) To encourage every one of our churches to make an offering for Foreign Missions.

(2) To renew its canvass in the interests of the *Missionary*, that our support of that magazine may be continued.

(3) To bring before our churches which have no definite system of contributions the leaflets and envelopes of the Assembly's Committee.

(4) To procure the observance of "Childrens' Day" by all the Sabbath Schools of the Synod.

(5) To prepare a programme and make all the arrangements necessary for the day of Foreign Missions at the next session of the Synod.

5. That this Committee be authorized to take a collection this evening for the cause of Foreign Missions, and to retain in its hands so much of this as may be needed for the incidental expenses of its work.

6. That pending the discussion now in progress concerning missionary societies, the deliverances of the General Assembly and of this Synod are of force, and that until the voice of the Church is otherwise expressed, our Christian men and women are encouraged and authorized to unite in organizations for this work; provided, always, that these organizations are controlled by the Church courts and operate through the channels of the General Assembly.

A collection was taken up in behalf of Foreign Missions, amounting to $85.37.

Synod adjourned until to-morrow, 9:30 A. M., and was closed with prayer by Rev. J. Rumple, D. D.

FIFTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 12th, 1889.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 A. M. and was opened with prayer by Rev. R. W. Boyd.

The minutes of the Fourth Day's Session were read and approved.

In the absence of the Temporary Clerks, Rev. A. R. Shaw, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was elected Recording Clerk, and Rev. C. W. Robinson, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, Reading Clerk.

It was made the third Order of the Day for this morning to hear the Memorials of the deceased members of the Synod.

The Special Committee appointed to nominate Synodical Agents, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Chairman, submitted the following report, which was received and adopted:

Agent of Sustentation.....Rev. John W. Primrose.
Agent of Evangelistic Labor.....Rev. Alex. Sprunt.
Agent of Publication and Colportage.....Rev. E. W. Smith.
Agent of Education.....Rev. R. F. Campbell.
Agent of Sabbath Schools.....Rev. A. R. Shaw.
Agent of Foreign Missions.....Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.

The Committee to examine the report of the Trustees of Synod, Rev. T. P. Barclay, Chairman, reported recommending the approval of the report. This report was received and approved.

The Committee appointed to prepare an address to the Churches on the State of Religion in the bounds of the Synod, Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D., Chairman, made their report, which was received and adopted. It as follows:

ADDRESS TO THE CHURCHES.

The Synod of North Carolina to the Churches within its bounds:

"Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus, our Lord."

DEAR BRETHREN:—We are rejoiced to learn from the Presbyterial Narratives that in many of our churches wide-spread revivals of religion have prevailed, and in many others unusual blessing has been enjoyed from God in quiet but large spiritual growth. Thanks are tendered to God for the apparently general uplifting in spiritual life and activities in nearly all departments of church work. Brethren, let not your zeal grow colder. In earnest faith bear onward the banner of Christ. Be satisfied only with greater and continued blessing from the Head of the Church.

We regret, however, that general laments and complaints continue that there are still large failures in sanctifying the Sabbath, both in maintaining family worship and in contributing with liberality to the Lord's work. Especially is it a sad feature of two of the Presbyterial

Narratives that there are painful failures in duty on the part of the officers of the church, from which injury arises to the cause of religion. Some of these church officers do not even conduct family worship in their own houses.

Brethren, suffer a word of exhortation. In love rebuke all offenders. Tenderly lead them back to duty. If they refuse to hear the Church, in love still for them and for Christ's cause, enforce the Scriptural discipline of God's Kingdom.

Be faithful in the Lord's work. Fear not man. Fear nothing but evil. Consent not to sin by allowing it, or by silence. Testify clearly, firmly, always, for the truth as it is in Jesus.

May wisdom from above guide you; and sanctifying grace and heavenly peace abide in all your borders from our Lord Jesus Christ.

The first of December next was fixed as the time for the beginning of the assesments upon the Presbyteries for the support of the Synodical Evangelistic work.

The First Order of the Day was taken up, and the Agent of Education, Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, presented his annual report, which was received, approved and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. (Appendix, D, V.)

The following recommendations appended to the report were taken up *seriatim* and adopted.

1st. That the fourth Sabbath in October be set aside as a day for special prayer for more laborers, and that our ministers, so far as practicable, present the cause of missions to their respective congregations with respect to the special need of more ministers, and call upon young men and older men to consecrate their lives to the blessed ministry.

2nd. In reference to greater care in receiving candidates to which our attention has been called by the Assembly, the following is recommended: That Presbyteries require Agents of Education to make reports of all candidates at least once a year, both as to their moral character and literary standing.

Judicial Committee's Report. Synod's Deliverance on Vote in part.

3rd. In reference to a better support of the cause, we recommend that Synod attempt to raise twice as much for the cause this year as for the year past; and in order to accomplish this, we recommend that each minister make effort to thoroughly inform his people on this whole subject, and that the whole month of November, and not one single day, be given to collections for this cause so necessary to the highest welfare, if not to the very life, of the Church.

The second Order of the Day was then taken up, viz: The report of the Judicial Committee touching the case of Rev. D. P. Robinson.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain was, for special reasons, excused from voting on the case.

After prolonged discussion, the following substitute for the report of the Judicial Committee, was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Synod in recognizing the authority of the General Assembly, a Court of final review and control, in the case of the complaint of Mecklenburg Presbytery against the Synod, in the case of Rev. D. P. Robinson, do hereby correct its sentence and decision in accordance with the finding of the General Assembly, and do hereby set up the decision of Mecklenburg Presbytery in the case, except so far as it has been set aside by a former General Assembly. While doing this, we feel sure that the General Assembly misapprehended the exact nature and grounds of the decision complained of.

The Order of the Day, viz: To hear Memorial tributes of deceased ministers, was suspended for fifteen minutes.

The following paper was presented and adopted:

CONSTRUCTION OF THE VOTE IN PART.

On the question as to how to count the vote in part, the Synod of North Carolina makes the following deliverance:

The vote "in part" belongs mathematically with the vote "in whole" on the same side, yet the conclusion of the vote "in whole" as thus made up is modified by the vote "in part" included in it, which modification is to be interpreted by the Court. For instance: 22 votes are given to sustain "in whole," 28 votes not to sustain "in

whole," and 13 to sustain "in part." It is evident that mathematically the 13 to sustain "in part" belong with the 22 to sustain "in whole," making the mathematical count to sustain "in whole" 35. Yet the 13 included in the 35 has a moral effect upon the conclusion reached by the 35. That is, the 13 modifies the conclusion reached by the 35, which conclusion must be interpreted by the Court.

Synod took recess until 3 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

Synod met after recess.

The Committee to examine the records of Concord Presbytery, Rev. J. M. Clark, Chairman, reported that "they find them correctly and neatly kept, and would recommend their approval by the Synod." This report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Leave of Absence, Rev. Wm. R. Atkinson, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and approved:

The following were excused for non-attendance at the last meeting of Synod: M. A. Henderson, S. H. Spencer, R. W. Boyd, J. R. McAlpine, Wm. R. Atkinson, S. C. Boyce.

Excused for non-attendance at the present meeting of the Synod: D. P. Robinson, J. N. H. Summerell, B. L. Beall.

Excused for late attendance at the present meeting: M. A. Henderson, R. W. Boyd, W. A. Wood, D. D., A. N. Ferguson, Chalmers Moore, J. R. McAlpine, J. S. Watkins, D. D., J. W. Primrose, C. M. Payne, S. C. Boyce, P. H. Dalton, L. K. Glasgow, R. A. Miller, I. N. Campbell.

The following were granted leave of absence at such times as the necessities and exigencies of the cases called for:

Committee on Leave of Absence. Union Theological Seminary.

Ministers: C. Miller, R. W. Culbertson, W. R. Coppedge, W. D. Morton, A. N. Ferguson, A. McFadyen, J. Henry Smith, D. D., S. Taylor Martin, E. A. Sample, M. A. Henderson, T. P. Barclay, Roger Martin, J. B. Mack, D. D., R. W. Boyd, P. H. Hoge, D. D., R. S. Arrowood, Alex. Sprunt, J. R. McAlpine, K. A. McLeod, P. R. Law, G. W. Belk, I. N. Campbell, J. S. Black, David Fairley, D. I. Craig, S. O. Hall, J. G. Anderson, A. Currie, W. McC. Miller, W. A. Wood, D. D., J. C. McMullen, W. R. McLelland, K. M. McIntyre, J. M. Clark.

Ruling Elders: R. W. Gibson, Dr. J. R. B. Adams, Dr. J. G. Ramsay, M. McDougald, J. B. Tait, Alex. McRea, H. Foard, W. E. McCall, J. R. Kincaid, T. C. McDonald, J. H. Hill, J. C. Hutchison, Wilson Trott, N. Johnston, W. C. Moore, D. F. Cannon, G. C. L. Junker, J. McLaurin, A. T. Whitsett, J. C. Cannon, W. S. Clary, J. H. Reid, E. M. Stevenson, W. B. Hamner, Neil Graham, D. B. McLean, P. B. Kennedy, J. D. McIver, H. M. Parks, Thos. McConnell, W. A. Berryhill, J. K. Graham.

The Committee on Union Theological Seminary, Rev. W. B. Arrowood, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted. It is as follows:

From the annual report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary, and other reliable sources, your Committee report a marked and gratifying progress in this School of the Prophets in its increasing patronage, the sound basis of its finances, and the enlargement of its Library, now numbering 14,000 volumes.

It is gratifying to learn that contributions to the endowment of the Fifth Professorship have been made during the past year to the amount of about $20,000, thus making the net amount at present to the credit of that fund more than $35,000.

The Synod would record its grateful acknowledgment of the faithful labors of the Agent, Rev. S. T. Martin, in raising this fund, and express the hope that the amount necessary to fully endow this chair will be secured before the 1st of November, when it is understood that the resignation of the Agent takes place.

The Church has been praying for an increase of ministers. God is answering these prayers. Fifty more candidates were under the care of the Presbyteries last May than there were two years ago. The Board of Directors informs us that the Seminary will not accommodate any

more students than were in attendance last year; and as the indications are that there will be still increasing numbers at our Seminary, temporary arrangements have been made for their accommodation, and the controlling Synods are asked to take such steps as will secure *permanent* accommodations.

As the supply of ministers lies at the very basis of all aggressive work for Christ, your Committee recommend that this Synod undertake to raise, or guarantee, at least $1,500 as her part of the work, provided the Synod of Virginia concur and co-operate in this movement.

To carry out this we recommend further that the following amounts be apportioned to the Presbyteries, and they are urged to act as speedily as possible in this matter: Concord, Orange, Wilmington and Fayetteville, $300 each; Mecklenburg $350, and Albemarle $150.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the amendment to the Constitution proposed by the Board. (See Report.)

We recommend for election as Directors, Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D.' Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D., and Ruling Elder, B. F. Hall; Rev. R. C. Reed, in the place of Mr. D. W. Oates.

The following minutes touching the death of ministers of the Synod, deceased since the last meeting, were reported by their respective Committees.

Rev. HECTOR McLEAN, D. D.

The Rev Hector McLean was called to his reward on the 3rd day of July, A. D., 1889, at the advanced age of 82 years.

He was a native of Robeson County N. C.; was licensed and ordained by Fayetteville Presbytery, and the work of his ministerial life was performed mainly within the bounds of said Presbytery, and in two churches thereof. To one of these churches he ministered for 56 years, and to the other 48 years, sustaining the pastoral relation to each. This unusually long pastorate testifies, as no words of ours can, to his godly life, his fidelity and consecration to the work of the Master.

He possessed a well balanced mind, preached a pure gospel in its simplicity, and was practical, rather than philosophic. He was conscientious as to the duty of attending the meetings of the Church courts, and consequently was rarely or never absent from either the meetings of Presbytery or Synod, unless providentialy detained.

In disposition he was gentle and sympathetic, and had tender regard for the feelings of others, and so was ever on his guard against saying or doing anything calculated to wound the feelings of any one.

While the Synod mourns the loss of this venerable servant of God, yet we at the same time rejoice in the belief that he now dwells on high, and we thank God for His long life of great usefulness.

"They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

Rev. CHARLES PHILLIPS, D. D.

It is with no ordinary feeling of sorrow the Synod is called upon to record the death of this beloved brother and servant of Christ. Dr. Phillips was on his way to another State, where he proposed to spend the remainder of his days; but God had ordered otherwise, and the journey ended, not in any earthly rest, but, as we believe, in the heavenly and eternal rest.

Our brother had just sundered the ties, which for a whole life time, with the exception of a few years, has bound him to the scene of his great life-work, as a teacher of the youth of our land in the University of the State at Chapel Hill.

Those years also which were not spent at the University were employed in the same capacity at Davidson College, so that not only the State, but the Church of God, as represented by this Synod, reaped the advantages of his eminent accomplishments as an instructor.

In consequence of growing bodily infirmity, the last years of his life were passed in enforced inactivity, and were terminated at last in a peaceful death in the home of a daughter in Columbia, S. C., on the 10th of May last.

Memorials of Deceased Ministers.

Dr. Phillips was not an ordinary man. Possessed of great natural endowments and gifts of superior excellence as a teacher, a preacher of rare power, a genial Christian man and brother, the Church in this Synod, and the State at large, have lost an able and useful servant.

The Synod, with tender grief and sorrow for their loss, and yet with devout recognition of the divine will and hand therein, adopt this tribute, "in memoriam," and would assure all survivors of the afflicted family, and other relations and friends, of their sincere sympathy with them in their great bereavement.

Rev. R. H. MORRISON, D. D.

The Rev. Robert Hall Morrison, D. D., was born in Rocky River congregation, Cabarrus County, N. C., Sept, 8th, 1798, and died in Lincoln County, N. C., May 13th, 1889.

In early life he gave himself to the service of Christ, and followed Him earnestly, faithfully and confidently, through a long, active and useful life.

He was graduated at the University of North Carolina in 1818, dividing the honors of his class with James K. Polk, afterwards a President of the United States.

In 1820 he was ordained by Concord Presbytery, and became pastor of Providence church, in Mecklenburg County, N. C.

In 1822 he was called to Fayetteville, N. C., where he remained until 1827, when he accepted a call to Sugar Creek Church, three miles from Charlotte, in which town he organized a church, which he served in connection with Sugar Creek.

On March 12th, 1835, Dr. Morrison offered, in Concord Presbytery, the resolutions which led to the founding of Davidson College. He and Rev. P. J. Sparrow were appointed financial agents of the College, and succeeded in raising funds sufficient to start the College on March 1st, 1837.

Of this institution he was elected the first president, and successfully administered the duties of his office until failing health forced his resignation, in 1840.

Memorials of Deceased Ministers.

He then retired to his farm in Lincoln County, N. C., and ministered to the church of Unity, in that county, later organizing the churches of Castanea Grove and Machpelah, which he also served until the infirmities of age compelled him to retire from active work.

Early in his ministry the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him by his Alma Mater.

As a minister he was faithful in the performance of every duty, and instructive, impressive and eloquent in presenting the truths of the gospel.

As a Christian he was most conscientious, humble and devout, giving his best thoughts and labors to the advancement of the Kingdom of Christ. His death was triumphant, and his dying testimony was to the preciousness of the gospel of his Divine Redeemer.

In 1824 DR. MORRISON was married to Miss Mary Graham, daughter of Gen. Joseph Graham, of Revolutionary fame, and sister of Gov. Wm. A. Graham.

Mrs. Morrison was indeed a wife from the Lord, a companion and help to her husband, the mother of many children, who have won the highest esteem and usefulness in society and the Church.

The Synod of North Carolina, mourning the death of DR. MORRISON, would render thanksgiving to God for the long, useful and exemplary life of this father in Israel, extend the tenderest sympathies to his bereaved family and friends, and cherish his memory with the most affectionate regard.

After the reading of these minutes they were unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Synod was led in prayer by Rev. C. M. Payne.

The Stated Clerk was directed to transmit to the families of the deceased brethren copies of the memorials adopted, and to make the customary memorial record in the book of minutes.

The committee to examine the Treasurer's book and accounts, Mr. O. D. Davis, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted :

Report of Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

That said book has not been placed in the hands of the Committee, but the Treasurer has submitted a statement of his receipts and disbursements for the last fiscal year, of which the following is an abstract:

Balance on hand Oct. 22d, 1888	$137 67	
Receipts from various sources to Oct. 10th, 1889	187 63	
Total receipts		$325 30
Disbursements to same date		273 20
Leaving balance on hand, Oct. 10th, 1889		$ 52 10

Proper vouchers for the disbursements have been also submitted, which vouchers have been examined, allowed and cancelled.

Your Committee would also report that there is due the Stated Clerk for salary and stationery to date	$109 47
Stated Clerk's salary for the ensuing year	75 00
Amount for Stationery and postage for the ensuing year	10 00
Minutes of Synod for 1889 (about)	210 00
Total necessary for the ensuing year	$404 47

The Committee find, from the best information they can get, that the following amounts are due and owing to the Synod, by the Presbyteries, for the year ending Oct. 10th, 1889, and previous years, as follows:

From Orange Presbytery, balance for 1888	$ 20 00
" " " for 1889	75 00
" Mecklenburg Presbytery for 1889	45 00
" Wilmington " " 1888	30 00
" " " " 1889	30 00
" Fayetteville " " 1888	50 00
" " " " 1889	50 00
" Concord " paid in full	
Total due of this date	$300 00

There is also due from the State National Bank of Raleigh the sum of $38.81, which is considered as worthless.

As there is due from Orange Presbytery $95.00, which accrued before the division, your Committee would recommend that said sum be divided as follows:

To Orange Presbytery	$60 00
" Albemarle "	35 00

Report on Treasurer's Accounts. Albemarle Presbytery.

The Committee would respectfully make the following recommendations:

1st. That the assessments for the coming year be as follows:

Orange	Presbytery	$ 45 00
Albemarle	"	30 00
Concord	"	50 00
Fayetteville	"	50 00
Wilmington	"	30 00
Mecklenburg	"	60 00
Total		$265 00

2nd. In compliance with the desire of the Synod that this Committee name a suitable person for the position of Treasurer, the Committee would earnestly recommend Mr. I. H. Foust, Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church of Salisbury, for that office.

The Committee on the organization of Albemarle Presbytery, Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Chairman, presented the following supplementary report, which was received and adopted:

The Committee recommend further that the Rev. Messrs. W. F. Thom and G. A. Hough, of Orange Presbytery, together with the Churches of Ashboro, Worthville, Mount Vernon, Pittsboro, Haywood, Gulf and Calah be and are hereby transferred to the Presbytery of Fayetteville, in accordance with the act of Synod setting off from the territory of Orange the Counties of Randolph and Chatham to that Presbytery; also, that likewise the Church of Wilkesboro be transferred to the Presbytery of Orange.

The Committee on the *North Carolina Presbyterian* presented the following, which was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the following, viz: Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D., Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., Rev. C. M. Payne, Rev. Wm E. McIlwain, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, and Rev. P. H. Hoge, D. D., be appointed a Committee to take into consideration the best interests of the *North Carolina Presbyterian*, with a view to its greater efficiency and wider circulation in the Synod, and report to the Synod at its next meeting.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Parochial Instruction, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman,

Report on Statistical Reports.

was made the Second Order of the Day on the second day of the next meeting of Synod.

The Committee on Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries, Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Chairman, presented the following report, which was received and adopted:

1. The number of ministers in Orange Presbytery is 30, Concord 24, Fayetteville 23, Mecklenburg 34, and Wilmington 14. Total 125.

2. The number of churches in Orange Presbytery is 67, Concord 46, Fayetteville 57, Mecklenburg 57, Wilmington 39. Total 266.

3. The number of Licentiates in Orange Presbytery is 1, Concord 2, Fayetteville 1, Mecklenburg 2, Wilmington 1. Total 7.

4. The number of Candidates in Orange Presbytery is 15, Concord 9, Fayetteville 13, Mecklenburg 16, Wilmington 4. Total 57.

5. The number of Communicants in Orange Presbytery is 5099, Concord 4398, Fayetteville 5854, Mecklenburg 6293, Wilmington 2640. Total 24,484.

6. The aggregate of funds raised in Orange Presbytery the past year is $40,558,77, Concord $23,365, Fayetteville $18,401.70, Mecklenburg $48,398, Wilmington $26,324 49. Total $157,046.00.

7. The number added to the church in Orange Presbytery is 562, Concord 168, Fayetteville 217, Mecklenburg 293, Wilmington 323. Total 1563.

8. Ministers received by Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 6, Fayetteville 5, Mecklenburg 4, Wilmington 1. Total 17.

9. Ministers transferred, from Orange Presbytery 5, Fayetteville 1, Concord 1, Mecklenburg 8. Total 15.

10. Churches organized in Orange Presbytery 2, Concord 1, Fayetteville 3, Mecklenburg 3, Wilmington 1. Total 10.

11. The number of Candidates received in Orange Presbytery is 4, Concord 5, Fayetteville 4, Mecklenburg 7, Wilmington 1. Total 21.

12. Ministers deceased in Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 0, Fayetteville 1, Mecklenburg 1. Total 3.

13. Ordinations in Orange Presbytery 1, Concord 1, Fayetteville 2, Mecklenburg 1, Wilmington 0. Total 5.

14. Installations in Orange Presbytery 4, Concord 4, Fayetteville 1, Mecklenburg 9, Wilmington 0. Total 18.

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15. Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations in Orange Presbytery 10, Concord 0, Fayetteville 1, Mecklenburg 3, Wilmington 0. Total 14.

16. Licensures in Orange Presbytery 1; Concord 0, Fayetteville 3, Mecklenburg 2, Wilmington 1. Total 7.

17. Ministers in charge of churches: Orange, 54 ministers in charge of 51 churches, 18 Pastors, 1 Stated Supply, 6 Evangelists, 1 Licentiate, 7 vacant churches; average salary paid ministers $791. Concord, 19 ministers in charge of 37 churches, 14 Pastors, 3 Stated Supplies, 2 Evangelists, 2 Licentiates, 9 vacant churches; average salary $776. Fayetteville, 23 ministers in charge of 57 churches, 12 Pastors, 10 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelist, 1 Licentiate, 12 vacant churches, average salary $861. Mecklenburg, 24 ministers in charge of 43 churches, 15 Pastors, 8 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelist, 2 Licentiates, 8 vacant churches, average salary $776. Wilmington, 13 ministers in charge of 33 churches, 8 Pastors, 5 Stated Supplies, 1 Evangelist, 1 Licentiate, 6 vacant churches, average salary $702.

18. Number and value of Manses in Orange Presbytery 19, worth $38,000, Concord 14—$22,900, Fayetteville 2—$5,500, Mecklenburg 20—$38,000, Wilmington 3—$8,500. Whole number 58, valued at $112,950.

19. Number of counties in which no Presbyterian Church, or minister: Orange 16, Concord 5, Mecklenburg 3, Wilmington 1. Total 25.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have printed eleven hundred and fifty copies of the Minutes of the Seventy-sixth Annual Session of the Synod.

Leave of absence was granted Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. C. M. Payne, Rev. P. H. Dalton and Ruling Elder H. C. Hamilton.

The Stated Clerk was authorized to make out and forward to the next General Assembly the Statistical Report of the Synod. It is as follows:

The Synod of North Carolina respectfully reports to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States that it consists of six Presbyteries, and that these consist, in whole, of one hundred and twenty-five ministers and two hundred and sixty six churches, having under their care seven licentiates and fifty-seven candidates, viz:

Statistical Report to General Assembly. Adjournment.

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Churches.	Licentiates.	Candidates.
Orange	16	40	1	15
Concord	24	45	2	9
Fayetteville	25	64	1	13
Wilmington	13	38	1	4
Mecklenburg	34	57	2	16
Albemarle	13	22	..	...
Total	125	266	7	57

The Synod further reports that its next stated meeting will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., on the first Tuesday (6th) of November, 1890, at 7:30 P. M.

By order of Synod.

J. ALSTON RAMSAY, *Stated Clerk.*

The following resolution was offered and adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Synod of North Carolina tender its sincere thanks to the citizens of Charlotte for their generous hospitality; to the officers of the various churches for the tender of their respective pulpits for the use of our ministers on the Sabbath; to the Young Men's Christian Association for the tender of its hall and rooms; to the city papers for the daily publishing of the proceedings of the Synod; and to those railroad companies that allowed reduced rates of travel on their lines.

The Roll was called before final adjournment.

The Minutes of the Fifth Day's Session were read and approved.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in the First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., on the first Tuesday (6th) of November, 1890, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Closed with singing, prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction.

J. M. WHAREY, *Moderator.*

REV. ALEX. SPRUNT, }
REV. P. R. LAW, } *Temporary Clerks.*

A true copy from the records.

ATTEST; J. ALSTON RAMSAY, *Stated Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

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A.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERIES.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

To the Presbytery of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Orange reports:

1.—29 Ministers; 67 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 15 Candidates; 5,099 Communicants; and forty thousand five hundred and fifty-eight dollars and seventy-seven cents ($40,558.77), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1889, being $3,368 more than was raised the year before.

2.—562 Members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—1 Minister received, viz: G. A. Hough, from St. John's Presbytery, April 18, 1889.

4.—5 Ministers were transferred, viz: A. L. Crawford, to Concord Presbytery, April 18, 1889; Arch'd Currie, to Fayetteville Presbytery, April 17, 1889; S. M. Smith, D. D., to Charleston Presbytery, August 28, 1889; S. H. Chester, to Nashville Presbytery, August 29, 1889; P. H. Dalton, to Concord Presbytery, August 29, 1889.

5.—2 Churches received or organized, viz: Cann Memorial, Elizabeth City, organized March, 1889; Midway, Guilford County, organized November, 1888.

6—2 Churches dissolved, viz: Kernersville, August 29, 1889; Horeb, August 29, 1889.

7—1 Licentiate received, viz: John B. Swann, from Mecklenburg Presbytery, August 28, 1889.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz: J. Leslie Wharton, August 29, 1889; W. K. Forsyth and John Wakefield, August 30, 1889; H. Watson Smith, August 31, 1889.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz: Charles Phillips, D. D., May 10, 1889.

Statistical Report—Concord Presbytery.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: Licentiate John B. Swann, September 29, 1889.

13.—4 Installations, viz: J. Horace Lacy, Bethlehem Church, November, 1888; R. W. Culbertson, Midway Church, June 29, 1889; J. L. Currie, Spring Wood Church, —— —, 1889; W. F. Wilhelm, Little River Church, September 8, 1889.

14.—Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: P. H. Dalton, High Point Church, November 15, 1888; C. Miller, Burlington and Spring Wood Churches, November 15, 1888; J. L. Currie, Little River, Eno, Fairfield and New Hope Churches, January 31, 1889; S. M. Smith, Washington Church, August 28, 1889; S. H. Chester, Hawfield and Cross Roads Churches, August 29, 1889.

15.—1 Licensure, viz: C. H. Scott, licensed December 11, 1888; licensure of C. H. Scott withdrawn August 31, 1889.

16.—24 Ministers in charge of 51 Churches; 18 Pastors; 1 Stated Supply; 6 Evangelists; 1 Licentiate.

17.—7 Churches vacant.

18.—$791, average Salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—18 Manses, aggregate value, $38,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 16 Counties, viz: Bertie, Currituck, Camden, Chowan, Dare, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Northampton, Perquimans, Pamlico, Person, Stokes, Tyrrell, Washington.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Tarboro, on 16th day of April, 1890.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: F. H. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk.

Bethel Church, 28th day of August, 1889.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

To the Presbytery of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Concord reports:

1.—24 Ministers; 46 Churches; 2 Licentiates; 9 Candidates; 4,398 Communicants; and twenty-three thousand three hundred and sixty-five dollars ($23,365), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1889, being $2,475 more than was raised the year before.

2.—168 Ministers were added to the Churches during the year on examination, and 100 on certificate.

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3.—6 Ministers were received, viz: I. N. Campbell, from Mecklenburg Presbytery, October 25, 1888; J. B. Shearer, D. D., from Nashville Presbytery, Tennessee, October 25, 1888; H. G. Gilland, from Harmony Presbytery, April 12, 1889; R. F. Campbell, from Lexington Presbytery, Virginia, April 12, 1889; P. H. Dalton, from Orange Presbytery, September 19, 1889; A. L. Crawford, from Orange Presbytery, September 19, 1889.

4.—1 Minister transferred, viz: W. B. Tidball, to the Presbytery of Dallas, Texas, March 12, 1889.

5.—1 Church organized, viz: Elmwood, December 12, 1888.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—1 Licentiate received, viz: W. H. Wilson, from West Hanover Presbytery, Virginia, September 19, 1889.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—5 Candidates received, viz: W. L. Lingle, of Thyatira Church, and L. E. Bostain, of Statesville Church, April 12, 1889; H. K. Parks, of Bethphage, April 15, 1889; T. S. Watson, of Salisbury, September 21, 1889; and T. W. Lingle, of Thyatira, September 21, 1889.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: W. H. Wilson, September 21, 1889.

13.—4 Installations, viz: Rev. T. J Allison, over Fifth Creek, October 13, 1888, and over Third Creek, November 3, 1888; Rev. H G. Gilland, over Poplar Tent, May 11, 1889; Rev. R. F. Campbell, over Davidson College Church, May 5, 1889.

14 —Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations—none.

15.—Licensures—none.

16.—19 Ministers in charge of 37 Churches; 14 Pastors; 3 Stated Supplies; 2 Evangelists; 2 Licentiates; 1 Foreign Missionary.

17.—9 Churches vacant.

18.—$776, average Salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—14 Manses, aggregate value, $22,900.

20.—No Minister or Church in 5 Counties, viz: Yadkin, Yancey, Ashe, Mitchell and Alleghany.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Lenoir, on Wednesday, before the 2d Sabbath of April, 1890.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: WILLIAM W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk.

Back Creek Church, 21st day of September, 1889.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports:

1.—23 Ministers; 57 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 13 Candidates; 5,854 Communicants; and eighteen thousand four hundred and one dollars and seventy cents ($18,401.70 , aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1889, being $1,401.70 more than was raised the year before.

2.—217 Members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—5 Ministers were received, viz: P. R. Law, received December 12, 1889; J. W. Johnston, April 11, 1889; T. P. Barclay, June 5, 1889; A. Currie, June 5th, 1889; Dr. J. B. Mack, September 27, 1889.

4.—1 Minister transferred, viz: A. L. Phillips, to Presbytery of North Alabama, February 12, 1889.

5.—3 Churches received or organized, viz: Red Springs, June 6, 1889; Dunn and Shiloh, (dates not at hand)

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—1 Licentiate received viz: W. S. Friend, September 26, 1889, from Roanoke Presbytery, Virginia.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—4 Candidates received, viz: J. D. Arnold, June 5, 1889; Allen Jones, Jr., June 5, 1889; Kenneth A. Campbell, April 12, 1889; Charles A. Jones, April 12, 1889.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz: Hector McLean, July 3, 1889.

12.—2 Ordinations, viz: K. A. McLeod, Sharon Church, August 24, 1889; J. M. Clark, Red Springs, July 4, 1889.

13.—5 Installations, viz: P. R. Law, December 12, 1888, Lumberton Church; T. P. Barclay, June 27, 1889, Fayetteville Church; J. M. Clark, July 4, 1889, Red Springs Church; K. A. McLeod, August 25, 1889, Pee Dee Church; K. A. McLeod, August 24, 1889, Sharon Church.

14.—Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: A. L. Phillips, Fayetteville Church, February 12, 1889.

15.—Licensures, viz: J. M. Clark, June 6, 1889; K. A. McLeod, June 6, 1889; M. N. McIver, June 6, 1889.

16.—23 Ministers in charge of 57 Churches; 12 Pastors; 10 Stated Supplies; 1 Evangelist; 1 Licentiate.

17.—12 Churches vacant.

18.—$861, average Salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—2 Manses, aggregate value, $5,500.

20.—No Minister or Church in — Counties.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Fayetteville, on Tuesday beford the third Sabbath in April, 1890.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: A. R. SHAW,
Stated Clerk.

St. Paul's Church, 28th day of September, 1889.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Wilmington reports:

1.—14 Ministers; 39 Churches; 1 Licentiate; 4 Candidates; 2,640 Communicants; and twenty-six thousand three hundred and twenty-four dollars and forty-nine cents ($26,324.49), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1889, being $7,822.49 more than was raised the year before.

2.—323 Members were added to the Churches during the year.

3.—1 Minister was received, viz: Rev. W. McC. Miller, from the Presbytery of Greenbrier, April 11.

4.—Ministers transferred—none.

5.—1 Church organized, viz: Bladenboro, July 11.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved, viz: Chadbourn dissolved April 30.

7.—Licentiates received—none.

8.—Licentiates transferred—none.

9.—1 Candidate received, viz: Lawrence Ballard, April 11.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—Ministers died—none.

12.—Ordinations—none.

13.—Installations—none.

14.—Dissolution of Pastoral Relation—none.

15.—1 Licensure, viz: Neal L. Anderson, May 23.

16.—13 Ministers in charge of 33 Churches; 8 Pastors; 5 Stated Supplies; 1 Evangelist in the city of Wilmington, and 1 Licentiate.

17.—6 Churches vacant—supplied occasionally.

18.—$702.77, aggregate salary paid ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—3 Manses, aggregate value, $8,500.

20.—No Church in Brunswick County.

21.—The next stated meeting will be held in the First Church, Wilmington, at 8 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, April 16, 1890.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: A. McFADYEN,
Stated Clerk.

Clarkton Church, October 7, 1889.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

To the Synod of North Carolina:

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg reports:

1.—34 Ministers; 57 Churches; 2 Licentiates; 16 Candidates; 6,293 Communicants; and forty-eight thousand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars ($48,398), aggregate of all funds raised during the year ending March 31, 1889, being $2,712 less than was raised the year before.

2.—293 Members were added to the Churches during the year on examination.

3.—4 Ministers were received, viz: William P. McCorkle, January 25, 1889, from M. E. Church South; R. D Perry, May 17, 1889, from Harmony Presbytery; W. C. C. Foster, May 17, 1889, from Athens Presbytery; R. C. Reed, September 11, 1889, from Nashville Presbytery.

4.—8 Ministers were transferred, viz: P. R. Law, to Fayetteville Presbytery, December 4, 1888; J. L. McLin, to Bethel, and W. O. Cochran, to Ebenezer, January 17, 1889; J. L. McLees, to Charleston, March 18, 1889; R. A. Mickle, to South Alabama, R. A Fair and J. G. Fair, to East Hanover, April 12, 1889; and E. E. Ervin, to Tuskaloosa, May 17, 1889.

5.—3 Churches organized, viz: Mulberry, October 4, 1888; Waxhaw, October 17, 1888; Lowell, June 8, 1889.

6.—Churches transferred or dissolved—none.

7.—2 Licentiates received, viz: R. E. Henderlite, from Athens Presbytery, September 27, 1889; F. D. Hunt, from East Hanover Presbytery, September 27, 1889.

8.—1 Licentiate transferred, viz: J. B. Swan, to Orange Presbytery, May 17, 1889.

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9.—7 Candidates received, viz: Wm. C. Underwood, December 4, 1888; John H. Grey, March 18, 1889; L. H. Query, April 10, 1889; John R. Wilson, April 12, 1889; H. J. Rees and E. D. Brown, September 11, 1889; M. W. Hunter, September 28, 1889.

10.—Candidates transferred—none.

11.—1 Minister died, viz: Robert Hall Morrison, D. D., May 13, 1889.

12.—1 Ordination, viz: George W. Belk, June 7, 1889.

13.—9 Installations, viz: Roger Martin, at Providence Church, November, 1887; R. W. Boyd, at Unity Church (one-half time) November, 1888; R. W. Boyd, at Castania Grove Church (one-half time) November, 1888; A. G. Buckner, at Wadesboro (one-half time), and at Morven (one-half time), May, 1889; R. C. Reed, Second Church, Charlotte, October 6, 1889; T. A. Wharton, at Steele Creek, June 8, 1889; George W. Belk, at Amity (one-half time), June 8, 1889, and at Robinson, June 15, 1889, one-half time.

14.—3 Dissolutions of Pastoral Relations, viz: J. G. Fair and Second Church, Charlotte, April 12, 1889; S. H. Spencer and Swannanoa, May 17, 1889; W. O. Cochran and Steele Creek, January 17, 1889.

15.—2 Licensures, viz: John B. Swan, May 17, 1889; George W. Belk, May 17, 1889.

16.—24 Ministers in charge of 43 Churches; 15 Pastors; 8 Stated Supplies; 1 Evangelist; 2 Licentiates.

17.—5 Churches vacant.

18.—$776, average salary paid Ministers in charge of Churches.

19.—20 Manses, aggregate value, $38,000.

20.—No Minister or Church in 3 Counties, viz: Madison, Jackson, Graham. Minister in Cherokee and Church in prospect.

21.—The next stated meeting of Presbytery at Hopewell Church, on the 24th day of April, 1890.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: R. Z. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk.

Goshen Church, 28th day of September, 1889.

B.

REPORT OF PRESBYTERIES ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

I.—PRESBYTERY OF ORANGE.

The Presbytery of Orange respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1889:

1.—58	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$1,098 51
2.—54	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	1,342 65
3.—39	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	293 33
4.—55	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	2,399 39
5.—49	"	"	"	Education	980 67
6.—35	"	"	"	Publication	197 45
7.—29	"	"	"	Church erection	139 06
8.—33	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	143 61
9.— 6	"	"	"	Bible Cause	26 81
10.—37	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	2,231 00
Total					$8,852 48

Being $1,508.86 less than was raised the year before. Sixty-two Churches reported, and seventeen of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and forty-five to one or more of them. Three Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: F. H. JOHNSTON,
Stated Clerk.

Bethel Church, 28th day of August, 1889.

II.—PRESBYTERY OF CONCORD.

The Presbytery of Concord respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1889:

1.—27	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 459 00
2.—27	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	850 00
3.—23	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	113 00

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4.—30	Churches	Contributed to	Foreign Missions	2,299 00
5.—27	"	"	" Education	1,954 00
6.—25	"	"	" Publication	168 00
7.—24	"	"	" Presbyterial	285 00
8.—12	"	"	" Tuskaloosa Institute	41 00
9.—	"	"	" Bible Cause	
10.—14	"	"	" Miscellaneous	453 00
Total				$6,622 00

Being $1,953 more than was raised the year before. Forty Churches reported, and eleven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and twenty-nine to one or more of them.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: WM. W. PHARR,
Stated Clerk.

III.—PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1889:

1.—31	Churches	contributed to	Sustentation	$ 227 19
2.—32	"	"	" Evangelistic Fund	352 51
3.—29	"	"	" Invalid Fund	145 02
4.—40	"	"	" Foreign Missions	2,374 92
5.—31	"	"	" Education	225 57
6.—24	"	"	" Publication	107 12
7.— 3	"	"	" Colportage	16 00
8.—14	"	"	" Tuskaloosa Institute	64 73
9.—	"	"	" Bible Cause	
10.—16	"	"	" Miscellaneous	581 76
Total				$4,094 82

Being $930.10 more than was raised the year before. Forty-two Churches reported, and three of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and forty-two to one or more of them. Twelve Churches made no report.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: A. R. SHAW,
Stated Clerk.

St. Paul's Church, 27th day of September, 1889.

Reports on Systematic Beneficence—Mecklenburg Presbytery.

IV.—PRESBYTERY OF WILMINGTON.

The Presbytery of Wilmington respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence:

1.—21	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$ 428 98
2.—20	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	192 53
3.—14	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	202 06
4.—22	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	1,855 10
5.—19	"	"	"	Education	198 09
6.—16	"	"	"	Publication	163 51
7.— 5	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	18 22
8.— 9	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	3,696 00
Total					$6,754 49

Being $483.51 less than was raised the year before. There are thirty-nine Churches in the Presbytery; twenty-two contributed to one or more of the causes conducted by the Church, and twelve Churches contributed to none.

By order of the Presbytery:

Attest: A. McFADYEN,

Clarkton Church, October 7, 1889. *Stated Clerk.*

V.—PRESBYTERY OF MECKLENBURG.

The Presbytery of Mecklenburg respectfully submits the following report on Systematic Beneficence for the year ending March 31, 1889:

1.—36	Churches	contributed	to	Sustentation	$3,630 00
2.—30	"	"	"	Evangelistic Fund	1,027 00
3.—22	"	"	"	Invalid Fund	265 00
4.—40	"	"	"	Foreign Missions	5,112 00
5.—30	"	"	"	Education	1,471 00
6.—26	"	"	"	Publication	193 00
7.—	"	"	"	Colportage	
8.—14	"	"	"	Tuskaloosa Institute	103 00
9.—	"	"	"	Bible Cause	
10.—27	"	"	"	Miscellaneous	4,335 00
Total					$16,136 00

Being $155 more than was raised the year before. Forty-seven Churches reported and seven of them contributed to all the objects conducted by the Church, and forty to one or more of them. Eight Churches made no report, viz: Sandy Plains, Swannanoa, Red Oak, Oak Forest, Machpelah, Hendersonville, Mills River, Pleasant Hill.

By order of Presbytery:

Attest: R. Z. JOHNSTON,

Matthews Church, 12th day of April, 1889. *Stated Clerk.*

Report of the Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary.

C.

REPORT FROM U. T. SEMINARY.

The Board of Trustees and Directors of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia report to the Synod of North Carolina as follows:

At the sessions held on April 30th and May 1st, 1889, eighteen members have been present, and the excuses of the absentees have been sustained as satisfactory. The report of the Faculty shows that sixty-six students matriculated, of whom nineteen were in the Senior, sixteen in the Middle, and thirty-one in the Junior classes. This number, although not the largest in the history of the Institution, is an increase of four on that of last year. The financial condition of the Seminary is sound, and its income has been adequate to its most urgent wants up to this time, by economical management. But the prospect of an increased number of students at the opening of the next session, together with the fact that all of the available room for accommodating the students, belonging to the Seminary, is taken up, demands immediate effort to provide additional room. The Board has appointed a Committee charged with the duty of meeting the expected emergency next September by temporary arrangement, but we are deeply impressed with a sense of urgent need for new buildings in which our students may domicile during their term of study in the Seminary, *and hope the Synods will adopt* some plan to make adequate and permanent provision for this want.

The efforts of the Agent to endow the Fifth Professorship, made in the last year, in the State of Kentucky, have been successful to a gratifying extent. The amount of interest-bearing bonds turned over by said Agent to our Treasurer, collected in the last year, is $15,265.92, and cash, $4,559.08. The aggregate of all contributions for this enterprise is $42,265.92, and the net amount now in hand is $34,283.46. His agency expires by his resignation November 1, 1889.

The Library increases steadily in the number of its volumes, which now amounts to about 14,000.

An Amendment to the Constitution, which reads as follows, is hereby submitted to the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina for your consideration :

"The Special Committee appointed to prepare for the consideration of the Board, an Amendment to the "Constitution and Plan" of the Seminary as to admitting to the privileges of the Institution Christian men of approved character, who may not purpose entering the Gospel Ministry, would report as follows:

"1st. That Article VI. of the "Constitution and Plan" of the Seminary be amended by inserting the following section: Christian men who give to the Faculty satisfactory evidence of ability and piety, but who do not contemplate entering the Gospel ministry, may be admitted to the privileges of the Seminary, except the privilege of residence in Seminary buildings, upon terms approved by the Faculty, and without complying with those conditions that can only apply to such students as purpose entering the Gospel Ministry.

"2d. That this section, if adopted by the Board, be reported to the Synods of Virginia and North Carolina for their approval."

The above section was adopted by the Board and is herein forwarded.

Diplomas have been granted to the following members of the Senior class of the past year: G. W. Belk, R. W. Carter, J. M. Clark, J. H. Davis, Jr., W. S. Friend, S. P. Gammon, J. R. Graham, R. E. Henderlite, T. W. Irwin, B. D. Kennedy, A. G. Link, F. T. McFadin, K. A. McLeod, P. F. Price, C. R. Stribling, J. B. Swann, O. B. Wilson and W. H. Wilson.

The Board, in review of the manifest blessing of God upon our Seminary in the past, and the encouraging signs of an increased number of students in the future, give thanks, take courage, and pray that this blessing may increase yet more and more.

Attested copy: CHAS. WHITE, *Secretary.*

D.

REPORT OF AGENT OF SUSTENTATION.

I.—MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

Synod has Ordained ministers, 121 (a loss of 1 on last year); Laboring Ministers, 103 (gain, 4); Licentiates, 4 (loss, 2); Churches, 265 (gain, 4); Members, 23,926 (gain, 1,373); and pays for salaries, $66,331 (gain, $1,848).

Reports of Synodical Agents—Sustentation.

Presbyteries.	Laboring Ministers	Members.	Salaries.
Concord	16	4,398	$11,538
Fayetteville	19	5,496	8,192
Mecklenburg	26	6,293	17,851
Orange	29	5,099	20,114
Wilmington	13	2 640	8,636
Synod	103	23,926	$66,331

These figures give us the following averages:

	Average Salary to Laboring Ministers	Average per Member.
Concord	$783 00	$2 62
Fayetteville	431 00	1 94
Mecklenburg	686 00	2 83
Orange	693 00	3 94
Wilmington	664 00	3 27
Whole Synod	$651 00	$2 83
Loss on last year	16 00	26

These figures are not encouraging. They show a loss on last year's work, and the Synod will remember that last year's averages were not quite up to those of the year previous. Your Agent would call attention to the fact, however, that the figures taken from the Assembly's minutes cannot afford an entirely accurate estimate of this matter for several reasons, chiefly from the changes constantly going on in our pastorates, and their failure to give the amounts by which many salaries are supplemented by the Presbyteries.

The following figures, furnished by the Chairmen of Presbyterial Committees, give perhaps the most accurate account of what is done in the matter of salaries that can be obtained:

Presbyttries.	Average Salary
Concord	$776 00
Fayetteville	840 00
Mecklenburg	900 00
Orange	645 00
Wilmington	662 00
Whole Synod	$764 00

II.—SUSTENTATION.

The are in the Synod forty-one charges needing aid to help them secure the preached Word. And it would require $8,775 to supply this need. These needy fields are distributed in the Presbyteries as follows:

	Fields Needing Aid.	Am'ts Needed.
Concord	6	$1,225 00
Fayetteville	4	500 00
Mecklenburg	11	2,850 00
Orange	13	3,700 00
Wilmington	7	500 0

The amounts contributed to this object, and forwarded to the General Assembly's Committee, are as follows:

	For Own Bounds.	For General Assembly.
Concord	$1,294	$106
Fayetteville	396	177
Mecklenburg	4,652	5
Orange	1,558	926
Wilmington	4,207	180
Synod	$12,107	$1,394

A large part of these funds is appropriated to the cause of Church Erection.

Fifty-one churches were reported vacant to the last Synod. We are glad to report that this sad list has been reduced to 37. Of these, Concord has 9; Fayetteville, none; Mecklenburg, 11; Orange, 9; Wilmington, 6.

Twenty-two church buildings have been commenced during the past year. In Concord, 2; Fayetteville, 4; Mecklenburg, 8; Orange, 5; Wilmington, 3.

There are 57 manses in the Synod, value $109,700; Concord has 14, value $22,900; Fayetteville, 2, value $4,500; Mecklenburg, 19, value $36,000; Orange, 19, value $38,300; Wilmington, 3, value $8,000.

III.—INVALID FUND.

Fifteen families and individuals have been aided by this fund, amounting in the whole Synod to $1,021. Of this sum Concord raised $113; Fayetteville, $150; Mecklenburg, $265; Orange, $291; Wilmington, $202. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. WHAREY, *Agent Sustentation.*

REPORT OF AGENT OF PUBLICATION.

According to the Minutes of the General Assembly, the contributions to this cause were as follows:

PRESBYTERIES.	AMT CONTRIBUTED.
Concord	$8 00
Fayetteville	100 00
Mecklenburg	193 00
Orange	199 00
Wilmington	185 00
Total	$845 00

The following is a list of contributing and non-contributing churches:

PRESBYTERIES.	Contributing Churches.	Non-contributing Churches.
Concord	23	20
Fayetteville	25	25
Mecklenburg	26	27
Orange	36	28
Wilmington	13	22
Total	123	122

Last year the Synod contributed $811; this year $845, so that we have a gain of $34.

II.—FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The financial condition of the Publication Cause has steadily improved from year to year under the efficient management of Dr. Hazen. The debt has been entirely paid. The statement of assets and liabilities shows an excess of assets amounting to $76,169.11. The Publishing House has been improved, and yields an income of $3,200 to the Church. The amount of business for the last year shows an increase of 20 per cent.

Additional editorial help has been secured for the Quarterly and Lesson Papers, which has greatly improved them.

The sale of books has been much larger than usual, amounting to $26,439.44. This is the largest sale ever made by the Committee in one year.

III.—COLPORTAGE.

The Colportage work was inaugurated two years ago, and has made commendable progress. The Committee at present can only undertake to equip and sustain one Colporteur in each Synod. Most of the Synods last year found it difficult to secure properly qualified men, and consequently the work was much interrupted. Notwithstanding the difficulties in the way, the work has prospered, and a large amount of religious literature has been disseminated. In our own Synod, with the consent of the Synodical Colportage Committee, Mr. P. C. Enniss, of Raleigh, undertook the Colportage work December 1st. He has labored from that time until the present, with the exception of January, February and a part of March. He reports:

Value of books sold	$431 02
Value of Bibles sold	153 80
Tracts donated	39 50
Periodicals	26 50
Total	$650 82

He further reports:

Families visited	1,636
Sunday Schools visited	25
Days in actual service	223

His work has been confined mainly to Orange Presbytery, because of its extensive missionary ground. Mr. Enniss has encountered many difficulties in the prosecution of his work. Many of our Sunday Schools buy their literature from Northern publishers, and do not seem disposed to change. We believe that, with the assistance of our pastors, the difficulties may in great measure be overcome, and the work may be prosecuted successfully.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. WATKINS, *Agent.*

SYNODICAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Agent respectfully presents to the venerable Synod of North Carolina the following report on the Sabbath School work within your bounds during the past year:

Reports of Synodical Agents—Sabbath Schools.

Presbyteries.	No. on Roll.			Admitted to Communion.	Contributions for Schools.	Contributions for Beneficence.	Total.
	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.				
Concord	32	321	2744	93	$ 496	$ 554	$ 1050
Fayetteville	47	330	2795	117	669	252	921
Mecklenburg	40	403	3591	143	884	690	1574
Orange	53	420	3255	166	1133	602	1735
Wilmington	26	238	1441	113	726	145	871
Summary for 1889	198	1712	13826	632	$ 3908	$ 2243	$ 6151
" " 1887	186	1617	12732	692	2861	1867	4728
Increase	12	95	1094		$ 1047	$ 376	$ 1423

Reports for 1888 were so defective that a proper estimate of progress can only be made by comparison with the statistics of 1887 as above. An advance has been made all along the line, except in the number admitted to communion There are 198 schools in our 265 churches. Some of the churches have several schools within their bounds. Many churches have made no reports, and a large number still have no Sabbath Schools. Concord Presbytery gives no information except the bare statistical table; and Wilmington gives very little more. Much more care is called for on the part of Presbyteries to secure full reports from every church, and better summaries from their Agents for the General Assembly. All churches and official Agents should be required to use the printed forms provided by the church for their returns.

For an instructive tabulated historical statement of Sunday School progress in the Synod since 1874, reference is made to the careful exhibit in the Synodical Minutes for 1887. It will be seen that since your Agent's first report in 1874, the increase has been more than double in the number of schools; nearly double in the number of teachers and scholars; more than three-fold in contributions for schools, and almost four-fold in general beneficence.

PRESBYTERIAL CONVENTIONS.

In every Presbytery successful Sabbath School Conventions are held, either in connection with the Fall meetings of Presbytery, or as distinct gatherings. Accounts of these conferences indicate profit from the discussions therein, and healthy enthusiasm awakened amongst both members and auditors.

Reports of Synodical Agents—Sabbath Schools.

A GREAT WANT.

A most important desideratum is some adequate Presbyterial provision to enable its carefully selected Agent to move among its churches, and stimulate the enlargement, and better conduct of this grand agency of the Church for training its youth for Christ and His work. Such a movement would materially assist Pastors, and be of incalculable value in mission fields and unoccupied territory. Schools would be brought to the uniform use of the publications of our Church; quickened into plans for regular systematic giving; led to a universal use and memorizing of the Word of God, and the Catechisms; and to prepare always full and accurate reports of their operations. In all these departments there are serious and most lamentable defects or failures.

FUNDS.

In 1886, on an appeal from your Agent, a number of contributions were made by the churches to enable him to carry out the resolution of the Synod in 1885. (See Minutes of 1885, page 608). The amount was $56.98. Your Agent used a portion of this sum in paying the traveling expenses incurred, in obtaining speakers, and for other incidental expenses involved in executing the Synod's wishes. A balance remains, $28, to be turned over to the Sabbath School Agent elected at this session, and to be used for similar purposes according to his judgment.

SYNODICAL MEETING.

Arrangements have been made by your Agent, according to the Synod's desire, to have two addresses at this session: one by Hon. A. Leazer, of Mooresville, N. C.; and the other by Mr. John W. Wallace, the efficient Superintendent of the Sunday School of the First Presbyterian Church in Augusta, Ga.

I recommend that the Synod hear these addresses on Thursday, at 11 A. M., 10th October. After the addresses an opportunity will be afforded for general remarks by the members of Synod.

RECOMMENDATION.

I recommend that the special attention of the Presbyteries be called by the Synod to the recommendations of the General Assembly, on pages 602, 603 of the Minutes of 1889.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. VASS, *Synodical S. S. Agent.*

Charlotte, N. C., October 8, 1889.

IV.—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AGENT OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The last year has been one of progress in the work of Foreign Missions

The "high-water mark" of the year preceding has been reached and over-passed, and God's blessing has been vouchsafed as never before. Nine missionaries have been added to the force in the field, and we have now seventy-two missionaries, besides fifty-six native helpers. The Gospel has been preached in seven tongues, and this preaching has been followed by the various results that ever attend the declaration of God's Word. The work done has been paid for, and there is no debt on any part of the service at home or abroad. The contributions have reached the sum of $96,000, an increase of about eleven per cent. over those of last year.

This abundant prosperity is fitted to evoke the deepest gratitude towards the great Head of the Church and to encourage us to still greater efforts. It would only be an abuse of God's goodness, if this prosperity were to lead us to relax our efforts or to imagine that the cause of Foreign Missions was in some way self-sustaining. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the falling off in the May collection of this year to the amount of $4,000 will be more than made up in the months that yet remain. This is the more important because the Assembly's committee in reliance upon the increased liberality of the Church has appointed fifteen missionaries, old and new, to leave for foreign fields during this month and the next, and the falling off in the receipts from the May collection has hampered the committee in the necessary expenditure on this account. We cannot afford, therefore, to rest on what we have done. The demands for the present are pressing in their urgency.

Of the fifteen missionaries, ten are new, and of these ten six are men, and four are ladies. Messrs. Gammon and Cowan go to Brazil, Mr. McIlwaine goes to Japan, Messrs. Graham, Price and Caldwell go to China. By reason of these additions our working force will be greatly increased, and yet the cry for more men is unabated. The demands of the work are measured not by our progress over the past, but by the millions who are lying in darkness, and against these demands that progress is of but little moment. It is matter of serious concern that but few men are offering themselves for this work, and although the burden of appeal last year before the Synods and at the

Seminaries was for more men, yet the result is but half a dozen of new offers. To-day, as in the day of Carey and Martin, the cry is, "Who will go for Me?" This sounds in our ears with peculiar meaning. The Synod of North Carolina has but one male missionary in the foreign field, Rev. J. W. Davis, D. D., of China. Our large contributions and our general interest in the work have not been accompanied by a corresponding consecration of our men and women, although in one case God's hand laid its arrest upon one more than willing to go. The question presses upon us whether we are personally exempt from this call of Christ or, if ourselves exempt, we have urged upon our young people with sufficient earnestness the imperative demands of the foreign field. Does not this emergency warrant a special and definite effort on the part of Synod to supply its proportion of toilers in the great harvest field of the world?

Your Agent would introduce the consideration of the other features of the work with the general remark that these have suffered sadly in the past through lack of sustained and systematic effort. The resolutions of church courts do not execute themselves, and the mere commendation of any feature of the work by Synod does not insure it consideration by our churches. On the one hand the Agent of Synod cannot take upon himself the administration of these matters without invading the distinctive jurisdiction of the Presbyteries; on the other the various Presbyterial Agents cannot work efficiently without concert of action among themselves.

It is submitted that a permanent committee, combining the Synodical and Presbyterial agencies, would be able to give more practical effect to the resolutions of Synod and to the plans for the development of our churches. This combination was voluntarily made last Fall in the effort to increase the subscription to *The Missionary*, and it is believed that the same co-operation, authorized by Synod and applied to the various features of the work, would result in a greatly increased efficiency.

Concerning *The Missionary*, it must be borne in mind that the gratifying results of our canvass last Fall will be practically lost on January 1st by the expiry of subscriptions, unless care is taken to renew them.

The efforts of last year resulted in a list of 5,000 subscribers, which lifted from the Assembly's Committee all financial responsibility and gave to *The Missionary* a circulation twice as great as the year before. *The Missionary* has been made increasingly attractive, and a perusal of its pages is a stimulus which cannot fail to prove beneficial.

The Assembly's Committee has taken in hand the collection of a suitable Foreign Missionary literature. The state of the work and its needs throughout the world is presented in attractive form and at prices which make it available for all who are interested. In this connection it is especially worthy of remark that the churches which use the circulars and envelopes of the Committee, find them helpful in increasing the contributions. These are furnished gratuitously to all churches which apply for them.

The following table affords a comparative view of contributions from the Synod to Foreign Missions for 1888 and 1889, according to Churches, Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies :

	No. Churches in Synod.		No. Churches Contributing.		Total Contributions of Churches.		No. Sabbath Schools.		No. Sabbath Schools Contributing.		Total Contributions Sabbath Schools.		No. Societies Contributing.		Total Contributions.	
	1889		1888	1889	1888	1889	1888	1889	1888	1889	1888	1889	1888	1889	1888	1889
Synod of N. C....	265		200	199	$5704	$7040	186	171	62	82	$1353	$1675	88	103	$5360	$5624
Cor cord	46		36	30	1136	1188	34	28	20	14	490	424	17	28	641	799
Fayetteville.....	54		46	48	923	1362	43	41	13	28	101	303	24	32	640	1142
Mecklenburg....	57		38	42	1191	1485	40	36	14	20	520	533	25	25	3480	3019
Orange.....	69		52	55	1057	1649	49	46	12	13	171	299	16	15	498	591
Wilmington.....	39		28	21	1394	1356	20	20	3	7	71	116	6	3	101	73

The total contributions of Synod for the past year are $15,264, an advance of $2,929 over the previous year. This is a gratifying result, and it indicates an interest among our people that is full of encouragement; but from the fact that we have 24,000 communicants and 13,000 Sabbath School scholars, it appears that our people have not yet come up to the full measure of their privilege. This is but 45 cents each for the 37,000 communicants and Sabbath School pupils, or if the Sabbath Schools be left out, it is 52 cents for each of our communicants. Upon this showing we are surely justified in urging our people to yet greater liberality in this cause.

The churches of the Synod have given $7,040, an increase of $1,336. The Presbytery of Orange has the largest number of contributing churches, but the Presbytery of Fayetteville has the largest proportion of contributing churches. Sixty-six of our churches have contributed nothing during the year. These are doubtless weak and perhaps vacant, but it would be a blessing to them, as well as to the cause if, despite their discouragement, they were urged to contribute to this cause.

Our Sabbath Schools are fewer by fifteen than in the previous year, but there is an increase of twenty in the number of schools contributing, and of $322 in the amount raised. $1,675 has been raised, and this creditable improvement is doubtless due in part to the more general observance of Children's Day. It is believed that if this observance had been universal the eighty-one non contributing schools would have done their part in this work.

Our contributing missionary societies have numbered 103, an increase of fifteen, giving $5624; an increase of $264, notwithstanding a decrease in those of the Presbytery of Mecklenburg of $461.

There is a commendable increase in the liberality of these societies in the Presbyteries of Fayetteville, Concord and Orange.

It would be inappropriate to discuss at length the question concerning these societies at this time, when the whole subject is before our Presbyteries, but it is worthy of note that while our churches contributed $7,040 the societies have raised $5,624, and while "voluntary" and "independent" societies are contrary to our view of Christ's Church, it is submitted that great caution should be exercised in restricting the efforts of our Christian men and women who have organized themselves for the better prosecution of this work under the control of our Church Courts, and through the channels appointed by the General Assembly.

EDUCATION.

REPORT OF THE AGENT OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SYNOD, 1889.

In making my annual report I would call your attention to matters of interest found in the minutes of the General Assembly of 1889. On page 617 it is recorded that in answer to an overture from Louisville Presbytery the day of prayer for our youth was changed from the last Thursday in January to the last Thursday in February. On page 616 is this resolution: "In view of the increased number of candidates for the ministry and the meagre support given those under the care of Presbytery (especially the small sum of $100.00 to students in the Theological Seminaries) a special appeal be made to all our pastors and sessions to use their best endeavors to largely increase the amount of the contributions to this most worthy and important cause of our churches work, and to this end we recommend that appeals be made, not only to the churches, but also to our Sabbath Schools, to Ladies' Aid Societies, and to wealthy members of the church who

may be disposed to favor the work of Education." On page 617 we find this resolution, which we regard as timely: "That the Presbyteries be urged to exercise the utmost care in receiving young men under their care as candidates for the ministry, and in recommending them to the Assembly's Committee on Education." It will be observed, further, that the time fixed by the Assembly for taking collections for this cause is the months of April and November.

On page 581 it is recorded that the overture from the Synod of Virginia, asking that a special committee be appointed to report to the next Assembly propositions for a marked enlargement of effort in the evangelization of the colored people, was adopted.

II. Your agent would report the following facts gathered from Presbyterial Agents of Education in the Synod:

(1) As to number of candidates—Orange has 15, Concord 11, Fayetteville 13, Wilmington 5, Mecklenburg 16. Whole number in the Synod 60. In 1882 we had 17 candidates in the Synod; in 1885, 21; in 1886, 39; in 1887, 41; in 1888, 49; and now, in 1889, we have 60, or more than three times as many as we had seven years ago. Had there been a corresponding gain throughout the church, we would to-day have more than 500 candidates instead of 317, as reported last Spring. I suppose a larger number of candidates have been received the past year than in any year in the history of this venerable Synod. The list stands as follows: Orange has 4, Concord 8, Fayetteville 4, Wilmington 1 and Mecklenburg 5; whole number 22.

(2) The number of licentiates is as follows: Orange 1, Concord 2, Fayetteville 1, Wilmington 1, Mecklenburg 2; whole number in Synod 7.

(3) Of the candidates of the Presbyteries, 7 are in the Academy, 24 in College and 17 in the Seminary. Of those in the Seminary, 8 will be ready for permanent work next Spring, distributed as follows: In Orange 4, Concord 1, Wilmington 1 and Mecklenburg 2.

(4) The following Presbyteries have licensed candidates as follows: Fayetteville 3, Wilmington 1 and Mecklenburg 2.

(5) The sums given by the Presbyteries for the use of candidates are as follows: Orange, $561; Concord, $200; Fayetteville, $89; Wilmington, $171; Mecklenburg, $564; whole amount in the Synod, $1,585.

III. Your agent takes pleasure in calling your attention to the steady increase of candidates for the ministry throughout our church. At one time in the history of our church the situation was simply alarming, our ministers were dying out, and the number of our candidates

growing less and less year by year. It seemed that we were destined to extermination, that our beloved church would die at her heart.

In 1870 we had 161 candidates, and in 1881 that number was reduced to 144—that is, we had made no gains, but rather had lost 17 candidates in eleven years. But since 1881 there has been a most gratifying increase in the number of our candidates. In 1882 there were 160; in 1883, 199; in 1884, 234; in 1885, 247; in 1886, 269; in 1887, 267; in 1888, 285; and in 1889, 317. Thus making a gain of 173 candidates in eight years, or a gain of more than 20 each year for the last eight years. This great increase in the number of our candidates for the gospel ministry surely furnishes matter of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord of the harvest, who alone has power or right to send forth laborers into His harvest!

But alongside of the fact of this decided advance in the number of our candidates is the discouraging fact that the growth of our ministry has been painfully slow. In 1880 we had 1,060 ministers; in 1881, 1,061; in 1882, 1,081; in 1883, 1,070; in 1884, 1,079; in 1885, 1,072, in 1886, 1,085; in 1887, 1,116; in 1888, 1,129; and in 1889, 1,145. In other words, whilst the number of our churches has grown from 1,928 in 1880 to 2,321 in 1889, a net gain of 393 in the last nine years, our ministry has only increased 85 in the last nine years. This is in part explained by the fact that during this time we have lost by death alone not less than 253 ministers, an average of 28 each year for the last nine years.

IV. Whilst rejoicing at the increase in the number of our candidates, your agent would call the special and prayerful attention of Synod to the manifestly inadequate support provided by the Presbyteries for our candidates. For example, Orange Presbytery reports 15 candidates and only $561 for their support, or about $37 each; Concord Presbytery reports 11 candidates and only $200 paid for their support, or about $18 per candidate; Wilmington reports 5 candidates and only $171, or about $34 each for their support; Mecklenburg reports 15 candidates and only $564, or about $35 each for their support; Fayetteville Presbytery reports 13 candidates, and only $89, or about $7 each. Surely these figures need no comment of mine; they speak for themselves, especially when we bear in mind that not only is the Gospel in this age preached to the poor, but, as a rule, the poor preach the Gospel to the world. It is as true to-day as when Paul wrote to the Corinthians: "For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many

wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called." A very large per cent. of our most worthy candidates are dependent in whole or in part upon the Church for their support. This is evident from the fact that of the 237 candidates belonging to 52 Presbyteries co-operating with the General Assembly, not less than 167 were aided from the Assembly's fund. And one of the Presbyterial Agents of Education in this Synod reports that of 16 candidates enrolled, 14 will need the help of Presbytery. Is it not then perfectly evident that unless our candidates are better provided for by the churches, they must be unnecessarily and painfully delayed in their course of preparation, and greatly discouraged in the work to which they feel that they have been called of God.

V. A glance at facts revealed by the minutes of the General Assembly will satisfy any one that the demands upon us for men are far in excess of our present or prospective supply. In our own Synod we have 37 vacant churches, and some 30 counties, containing at least a half million people, in which there is not a Presbyterian minister or church. And what are our prospects in the near future for meeting this demand at our doors, to say nothing of furnishing men to help the weaker Synods of the South and West, and for meeting the even greater demands in heathen lands? We will have only eight men ready next Spring for permanent work, and it takes about half this number usually to meet the annual losses in the Synod by death and removals.

And how stands the matter in the General Assembly? We have about 500 vacant churches in the Assembly, and not less than 300 or 400 vacant counties in which there is not a single Presbyterian minister or church. And now what is the promise of supply in the whole Church? In the Seminary at Austin, Texas, there are about sixteen students, and five of these in the Senior class. At Clarksville, Tenn., there are nine students, and five of these are in the Senior class. In Columbia Seminary there are twenty-two students, and thirteen are in the Senior class.

In Union Seminary there are sixty-eight students, and nineteen are in the Senior class. So then in all our Seminaries we have at present about one hundred and fifteen students, and forty-two of these will graduate in May next, whilst the death-roll of our church averages about twenty-eight each year. Is it not evident, then, that we can never prove an aggressive church until our ministry is multiplied far

more rapidly than at present. Our attention has been called to several matters of great interest by the Assembly, and, in order to reach the ends proposed, I offer the following resolutions for Synod's adoption. In reference to a greater supply of ministers, I recommend: (See minutes, page 344.)

WM. E. McILWAIN,
Agent.

E.

STANDING RULES OF SYNOD.

REVISED NOVEMBER, 1883.

I. OF ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCE.

1. The stated clerk, the pastor of the church in which the Synod holds its annual session, and the delegates of the session of said church shall constitute a Committee of Enrollment, who shall, at a convenient hour before the opening of the Synod, prepare the roll of the Synod. And to the Committee of Enrollment shall each member report for enrollment upon appearing at Synod.

2. It shall be the duty of each member, unless released by a vote of the Synod, when providentially prevented from attending the Synod, to address a letter to the Moderator, stating reasons for his detention.

3. The Moderator shall at every meeting appoint a Standing Committee on Leave of Absence. To this committee all excuses for absence or late attendance, and for the latter, on the part of ruling elders as well as ministers, shall be rendered. The roll shall be called before final adjournment, and those absent without permission shall be called to answer for such irregularity.

II. OF THE OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES OF SYNOD.

4. A majority of all the votes given shall be necessary in the election of the officers of the Synod.

5. The Treasurer shall submit to the Synod annually his book, together with a report of receipts and expenditures, presenting vouchers for the same.

6. The Trustees of Synod shall be elected every four years, and they shall present annually a full written report of the funds in their hands.

7. Agents shall be appointed on each of the following departments

of the Church's work, viz: Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Education, Publication, Evangelistic Labor, and Sabbath Schools. And it shall be the duty of these agents to take into consideration the whole field committed to their supervision, and to present at each meeting of the Synod a written report of all that is doing within the bounds of Synod on the subjects severally assigned to them. The agents for these respective subjects, or chairmen of committees, in the several Presbyteries, shall forward to the Synodical agents such reports as are needful in the preparation of their reports to the Synod. And the Synod shall appoint Orders of the Day for each of these causes at each annual meeting. In connection with the Order for Evangelistic Labor, the Synod will hear reports from Presbyterial Agents and Evangelists. And in connection with the consideration of Foreign Missions, a collection may also be taken for this object.

III. OF COMMITTEES.

8. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to whom the Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod any matter contained in these reports calling for action by this body.

9. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to whom the reports of the Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence shall be referred; and this committee shall condense the same and report to the Synod, recommending any action called for on the subject. The Presbyterial Reports shall cover the fiscal year of the Assembly.

10. A Standing Committee shall be appointed at each annual meeting to examine the Synodical Records and report thereon.

IV. OF THE STATED CLERK AND THE MINUTES.

11. The Stated Clerk shall forward to the Librarian of Union Theological Seminary and the Librarian of Davidson College, the Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and the Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Society, a copy of the Minutes of the Synod as published annually.

12. He shall issue and sign certificates whenever necessary for the return of members and their families on the railroads of the State to their homes.

13. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes the reports of the Presbyteries furnishing statistics to the

Synod; the statistics of the annual reports of the Synodical Agents, when approved by the Synod, requesting, on behalf of the Synod, the publication of the full reports in the *North Carolina Presbyterian;* a list of the officers and appointees of the Synod; the Standing Rules of the Synod, and a Docket of the business of the Synod at its next annual meeting.

14. The Stated Clerk shall publish in the Appendix to the printed Minutes, at least once in five years, the names of the Ruling Elders and Deacons, with their respective post-offices, belonging to the churches composing the Synod; and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries shall forward to the Stated Clerk of the Synod the information necessary for the execution of this rule.

V. MISCELLANEOUS.

15. The Parliamentary Rules adopted by the General Assembly for 1886, and since that time observed by them, shall be the rules for the guidance of this Synod.

16. The Directors of the Union Theological Seminary appointed by this Synod, shall render excuse to the Synod for non-attendance on any meeting of the Board, and if so absent without assigning sufficient excuse, his seat in the Board will be declared vacant.

17. It was ordered that it be a Standing Rule of Synod that hereafter the Synodical Communion be celebrated on Thursday evening. (Minutes 1883, p. 402).

18. The election of Stated Clerk and of Synodical Agents shall be held in 1886, and every three years thereafter—the former to enter upon his duties at the opening of the Synod immediately succeeding that at which he is elected, and the latter to enter upon their duties immediately after the adjournment of the Synod which elected them. (Minutes 1883, p 240.)

19. It was made a Standing Rule that the Roll be called at the opening of the Synod, that those who have been enrolled by the Committee of Enrollment may answer to their names. (Minutes 1885, p. 612.)

20. The Committee on Leave of Absence was instructed not to grant leaves of absence except for urgent reasons; and the Stated Clerk was directed to enter this action upon the Docket of the next Synod for information and caution to members of the committee and of the Synod. (Minutes 1885, p. 615.)

Moderators of Synod.

F.

GENERAL DIRECTORY.

MODERATORS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1813.	*Rev. Robert H. Chapman	Alamance Church.
1814.	*Rev. Samuel C. Caldwell	Thyatira Church.
1815.	*Rev. Wm. McPheeters	Fayetteville.
1816.	*Rev. John Robinson	Raleigh.
1817.	No meeting—no quorum present	Rocky River.
1818.	*Rev. Joseph Caldwell, D. D	Fayetteville.
1819.	*Rev. Jonathan Otis Freeman, D. D	Raleigh.
1820.	*Rev. William Paisley	Poplar Tent.
1821.	*Rev. John M. Wilson	Salisbury.
1822.	*Rev. John Robinson	Hillsborough.
1823.	*Rev. John Witherspoon	Fayetteville.
1824.	*Rev. Colin McIver	Statesville.
1825.	*Rev. John B. Davis	Greensborough.
1826.	*Bev. Wm. McPheeters, D. D	Fayetteville.
1827.	*Rev. R. H. Morrison, D. D	Salisbury.
	[The stated clerk has no record of this and the two succeeding meetings.]	
1828.	*Rev. Lemuel D. Hatch	Raleigh.
1829.	*Rev. John Williamson	Fayetteville.
1830.	*Rev. Samuel L. Graham	Hopewell.
1831.	*Rev. Hiram P. Goodrich	Hillsborough.
1832.	*Rev. Samuel Williamson	Salisbury.
1833.	*Rev. Henry A. Rowland	Wilmington.
1834.	*Rev. James W. Douglass	Oxford.
1835.	*Rev. Henry N. Pharr	Salisbury.
1836.	*Rev. Joseph Brown	Fayetteville.
1837.	*Rev. N. H. Harding	Shiloh.
1838.	*Rev. Stephen Frontis	Third Creek Church.
1839.	*Rev. Daniel A. Penick	Lincolnton.
1840.	*Rev. Alexander Wilson, D. D	Danville, Va.
1841.	*Rev. William N. Peacock	Fayetteville.
1842.	*Rev. Walter S. Pharr	Poplar Tent.

* Deceased.

Moderators of Synod.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1843.	*Rev. James Philips	Raleigh.
1844.	*Rev. Simeon Colton	Fayetteville.
1845.	*Rev. Samuel Williamson	Charlotte.
1846.	*Rev. Drury Lacy	Greensborough.
1847.	*Rev. Evander McNair	Fayetteville.
1848.	*Rev. Cyrus Johnston	Salisbury.
1849.	*Rev. John A. Gretter	Hillsborough.
1850.	*Rev. Adam Gilchrist	Centre.
1851.	*Rev. Archibald Baker	Rocky River.
1852.	*Rev. Wm. N. Mebane	Danville, Va.
1853.	*Rev. Hector McLean	Wilmington.
1854.	*Rev. A. L. Watts	Concord.
1855.	*Rev. Eli W. Caruthers, D D	Greensborough.
1856.	Rev. Neil McKay, D. D	Fayetteville.
1857.	*Rev. Walter W. Pharr, D. D	Charlotte.
1858.	*Rev. Jacob Doll	Newbern.
1859.	*Rev. F. K. Nash	Wilmington.
1860	*Rev. R. H. Lafferty	Statesville.
1861.	*Rev. Edward Hines	Raleigh.
1862.	*Rev. John M. Sherwood	Goldsborough.
1863.	*Rev. R. N. Davis	Salisbury.
1864.	*Rev. A. G. Hughes	Greensborough.
1865.	Rev. Colin Shaw	Fayetteville.
1866.	*Rev. R. Hett Chapman, D. D	Charlotte.
1867.	Rev. Archibald Currie	Newbern.
1868.	Rev. D. D. McBryde	Wilmington.
1869.	*Rev. Jesse Rankin	Morganton.
1870.	*Rev. R. A. Stanfield	Raleigh.
1871.	Rev. J. P. McPherson	Fayetteville.
1872.	Rev. Arnold W. Miller, D. D	Charlotte.
1873.	*Rev. James M. Sprunt	Wilmington.
1874.	Rev. J. Rumple, D. D	Concord.
1875.	Rev. P. H. Dalton	Greensborough.
1876.	*Rev. Martin McQueen	Fayetteville.
1877.	*Rev. John Douglass	Charlotte.
1878.	Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D	Goldsborough.
1879.	*Rev. E. F. Rockwell, D. D	Statesville.
1880.	Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D	Raleigh.

*Deceased.

Moderators of Synod. Officers and Appointees of Synod.

	Moderators.	Place of Meeting.
1881	Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.	Salisbury.
1882.	Rev. L. McKinnon, D. D.	Asheville.
1883.	Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D	Wilmington
1884.	*Rev. P. T. Penick	Winston.
1885.	*Rev. J. C. Alexander	Reidsville.
1886	Rev. John W. Primrose	Concord.
1887.	Rev. R. Z. Johnston	Fayetteville.
1888.	Hon. A. M. Scales	Goldsborough.
1889.	Rev. J. M. Wharéy	Charlotte.

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FIRST CLASS—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1893.

Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D., Rev. L. C. Vass, D. D.,
Mr. B. F. Hall, Ruling Elder.

SECOND CLASS—TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

To go out in 1892.

Rev. J. Henry Smith, D. D., Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,
Dr. E. Nye Hutchinson, Ruling Elder.

THIRD CLASS—TO SERVE TWO YEARS.

To go out in 1891.

Rev. Wm. E. McIlwain, Rev. D. D. McBryde.,
Prof. Wm. J. Martin, Ruling Elder.

FOURTH CLASS—TO SERVE ONE YEAR.

To go out in 1890.

Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Rev. J. W. Primrose,
Rev. R. C. Reed.

STATED CLERKS OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1813. *Rev. Robt. H. Chapman.
1818. *Rev. Collin McIver.
1849. *Rev. Drury Lacy.
1855. *Rev. Archibald Baker.
1859. *Rev. Jacob Doll.
1878. Rev. Wm. S. Lacy.
1886. Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Mill Bridge, N. C.

*Deceased.

AGENTS OF SYNOD.

Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.....Agent of Foreign Missions.
Rev. J. W. Primrose.....Agent of Sustentation.
Rev. R. F. Campbell.....Agent of Education.
Rev. E. W. Smith.....Agent of Publication.
Rev. A. R. Shaw.....Agent of Sabbath Schools.
Rev. Alexander Sprunt.....Agent of Evangelistic Labor.
To go out in 1892.

TREASURER OF SYNOD.

Mr. I. H. Foust.....Salisbury, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD—TO SERVE FOUR YEARS.

To go out in 1891.

Col. John E. Brown (Chairman).....Charlotte.
Col. J. B. Rankin.....Charlotte.
Mr. J. L. Brown.....Charlotte.
Mr. R. M. Oates.....Charlotte.
Hon. A. C. Avery.....Morganton.
Mr. D. F. Cannon.....Concord.
Mr. E. B. Stimson.....Statesville.

STATED CLERKS OF PRESBYTERIES.

Orange—Rev. F. H. Johnston, D. D.....Raleigh.
Concord—Rev. Wm. W. Pharr.....Mooresville.
Fayetteville—Rev. A. R. Shaw.....Manly.
Wilmington—Rev. A. McFadyen.....Clarkton.
Mecklenburg—Rev. R. Z. Johnston.....Lincolnton.

ROLL OF MINISTERS OF SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA.

1889.

I.—ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1. T. U. Faucette	Milton.
2. J. Henry Smith, D. D.	Greensboro.
3. E. H. Harding, D. D.	Graham.

Roll of Ministers. Orange. Concord.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
4. F. H. Johnston, D. D.	Raleigh.
5. C. N. Morrow	Hawthorne, Fla.
6. H. T. Darnall	Durham.
7. C. Miller	Greensboro.
8. Jas. L. Currie	Hillsboro.
9. D. I. Craig	Reidsville.
10. W. F. Wilhelm	Hillsboro.
11. E. W. Smith	Greensboro.
12. S. O. Hall	Madison.
13. W. R. Cappedge	Yanceyville.
14. R. W. Culbertson	Greensboro.
15. E. P. Davis	Winston.
16. J. H. Lacy	Mebaneville.

II.—CONCORD PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1. B. L. Beall	Lenoir.
2. J. Rumple, D. D.	Salisbury.
3. W. A. Wood, D. D.	Statesville.
4. Wm. W. Pharr	Mooresville.
5 R. B. Anderson, D. D.	Morganton.
6. L. McKinnon, D. D.	Clinton.
7. J. M. Wharey	Mooresville.
8. L. K. Glasgow	Davidson College.
9. J. W. Davis, D. D.	Soochow, China.
10. C. M. Payne	Concord.
11. C. A. Munroe	Lenoir.
12. J. A. Ramsay	Mill Bridge.
13. W. R. McLelland	Statesville.
14. R. S. Arrowood.	Mill Hill.
15. C. M. Tidball	Fancy Hill.
16. Thos. J. Allison	Elmwood.
17. J. B. Shearer, D. D.	Davidson College.
18. I. N. Campbell	Woodleaf.
19. J. G. Anderson	Harrisburg.
20. R. F. Campbell	Davidson College.
21. H. G. Gilland	Concord.
22. A. L. Crawford	Taylorsville.
23. P. H. Dalton	Mocksville.
24. W. H. Wilson	Norwood.

Roll of Ministers. Fayetteville. Wilmington.

III.—FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	J. M. Clark	Melrose.
2.	J. P. McPherson	Jonesboro.
3.	Neill McKay, D. D.	Lillington.
4.	A. McMillan	Laurinburg.
5.	D. D. McBryde	Little River Academy.
6.	A. Currie	Carthage.
7.	James McQueen	Swann's Station.
8.	N. T. Bowden	Covington.
9.	Joseph Evans.	Plainville.
10.	A. McQueen	Queensdale.
11.	Chalmers Moore	Laurinburg.
12.	H. G. Hill, D. D.	Maxton.
13.	David Fairley	Manchester.
14.	J. H. Colton	Jonesboro.
15.	A. N. Ferguson	Laurinburg.
16.	K. M. McIntyre	Endicott.
17.	K. A. McLeod	Endicott.
18.	J. S. Black	Athens.
19.	P. R. Law	Lumberton.
20.	T. P. Barclay	Fayetteville.
21.	A. R. Shaw	Carthage.
22.	J. W. Johnston	Aberdeen.
23.	J. B. Mack, D. D.	Fort Mill, S. C.
24.	Wm. F. Thom	Ore Hill.
25.	G. A. Hough	Worthville.

IV.—WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY.

	Ministers.	*Post Office.*
1.	D. B. Black	Burgaw.
2.	Colin Shaw	Magnolia.
3.	James Kelly	Clarktown.
4.	B. F. Marable, D. D.	Mt. Olive.
5.	A. McFadyen	Clarkton.
6.	Geo. W. McMillan.	Whiteville.
7.	K. McDonald	Magruder.
8.	John W. Primrose	Wilmington.
9.	Peyton H. Hoge, D. D.	Wilmington.
10.	J. D. Stanford	Kenansville.
11.	J. J. Hines	Riverdale.
12.	Peter McIntyre	Faisons.
13.	W. McC. Miller	Wilmington.

Roll of Ministers. Mecklenburg. Albemarle.

V.—MECKLENBURG PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Offices.*
1. J. E. Morrison	Morven.
2. J. D. Hall	Belmont.
3. Wm. Graves	Mills' River.
4. A. W. Miller, D. D.	Charlotte.
5. G. D. Parks	Charlotte.
6. R. Z. Johnston	Lincolnton.
7. D. T. Towles	Crab Tree.
8. J. J. Kennedy	Sandifer.
9. S. T. Martin	Hanpden Sidney, Va.
10. Wm. H. Davis	Davidson River.
11. Wm. E. McIlwain	Gastonia.
12. R. D. Perry	Pineville.
13. R. A. Miller	Huntersville.
14. Wm. R. Atkinson	Charlotte.
15. D. P. Robinson	Palestine, Texas.
16. A. G. Buckner	Wadesboro.
17. J. L. Williamson	Charlotte.
18. Roger Martin	Davenport.
19. W. B. Arrowood	Mathews.
20. E. A. Sample	Old Furnace.
21. T. A. Wharton	Charlotte.
22. R. C. Reed	Charlotte.
23. W. S. P. Bryan	Asheville.
24. S. H. Spencer	Cooper's.
25. M. A. Henderson	Brittain.
26. R. W. Boyd	Lowesville.
27. C. W. Robinson	Monroe.
28. J. R. McAlpine	Huntersville.
29. Wm. J. Erdman	Asheville.
30. S. C. Boyce	Wolfsville.
31. Jesse W. Siler	Charlotte.
32. W. P. McCorkle	Lexington.
33. W. C. C. Foster	Query's.
34. Geo. W. Belk	Burdette.

VI.—ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers.	*Post Offices.*
1. R. Burwell, D. D.	Raleigh.
2. Geo. W. Ferrill	Tally Ho.

Roll of Ministers. Albemarle.

3. Joseph M. Atkinson, D. D.....Raleigh.
4. John S. Watkins, D. D.....Raleigh.
5. Alexander Sprunt.....Henderson.
6. Carr Moore .....Townesville.
7. R. P. Pell.....Wilson.
8. J. N. H. Summerell.....Tarboro.
9. L. C. Vass, D. D.....Newbern.
10. J. C. McMullen.....Goldsboro.
11. J. B. Swann.....
12. W. D. Morton.....Charlotte.
13. S. H. Isler.....Goldsboro.

G.

DAILY ORDER OF BUSINESS.

[From 22nd Rule of the Rules of Parliamentary Order, Approved by the Synod. See Standing Rule 15.]

1. Prayer.
2. Minutes read.
3. Presentation of Papers—

   (*a*), Communications addressed to the body;
   (*b*), Reports of Standing Committees;
   (*c*), Reports of Select Committees;
   (*d*), Resolutions.

[Each of which papers may, by unanimous consent, be taken up immediately on presentation; but if objection be made, it shall be docketed.]

4. The Unfinished Business in which the Court was engaged at the last preceding adjournment in preference to the Orders of the Day.

[But such Unfinished Business may, on motion, without debate, be laid on the table, to proceed with the Special Order.]

5. The Order of the Day.
6. Regular Docket.

[Motions to elect officers, to appoint committees, and to enroll members, shall always be in order, unless a member is speaking or the Court is voting.]

[Note.—If the Unfinished Business be laid on the table in order to proceed with the Order of the Day, when the order has been disposed of such Unfinished Business has precedence of the Regular Docket.]

H.

DOCKET

OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SYNOD OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE HELD IN THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WILMINGTON, N. C., ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 1890, AT 7:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

I. Prayer.
II. Report of Committee of Enrollment
III. Moderator Chosen.
IV. Temporary Clerks Chosen.
V. Minutes of last Annual Meeting of Synod read.
VI. Standing Committees Announced—

1. Bills and Overtures.
2. Judicial Committee.
3. Address to the Churches on the State of Religion.
4. Systematic Beneficence.
5. Minutes of the General Assembly.
6. Union Theological Seminary.
7. Treasurer's Books.
8. Report of the Trustees of Synod.
9. Devotional Exercises.
10. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries.
11. Synodical Records.
12. Leave of Absence.

VII. Committee to Review Records of Presbyteries Announced—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

Docket.

VIII. Excuses for Absence from Last Meeting of Synod Referred.

IX. Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

X. Narratives of the State of Religion Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4 Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XI. Reports of Presbyteries on Systematic Beneficence Referred—

1. Orange.
2. Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4 Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.

XII. Report of the Directors of Union Theological Seminary Read and Referred.

XIII. Appointment of Directors of Union Theological Seminary Referred.

[NOTE.—The term of office of the Fourth Class expires at the meeting of Synod, viz.: Rev. J. Rumple, D. D.; Rev. John W. Primrose and Rev. R. C. Reed.]

XIV. Synodical and Presbyterial Records Referred—

1. Orange.
2 Concord.
3. Fayetteville.
4. Wilmington.
5. Mecklenburg.
6. Albemarle.
7. The Synod.

Docket.

XV. Report of the Trustees of Synod (Col. John E. Brown, Chairman) Read and Referred.

XVI. Report of the Treasurer of Synod Read and Referred.

XVII. Appointment of Orders of the Day.

XVIII. Reports of Synodical Agents Read—

1. Sustentation, - Rev. John W. Primrose.
2. Education, - Rev. R. F. Campbell.
3. Publication, - Rev. E. W. Smith.
4. Foreign Missions, - Rev. W. S. P. Bryan.
5. Sabbath Schools, - Rev. A. R. Shaw.
6. Evangelistic Labor, - Rev. Alexander Sprunt.

XIX. Report of Synodical Historical Committee, Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Chairman.

XX. Report of Synodical Evangelistic Committee, Rev. Alexander Sprunt, Chairman.

XXI. Report of Board of Regency, Rev. J. Rumple, D. D., Chairman.

XXII. Report of Committee on the Bible Cause, Rev. C. Miller, Chairman. (p. 336.)

XXIII. Report of Special Committee on Sabbath Schools, Rev. A. R. Shaw, Chairman. (p. 337.)

XXIV. Report of Special Committee on *North Carolina Presbyterian*, Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D , Chairman. (p. 353.)

XXV. Report of Committee on Parochial Instruction, Rev. J. Rumple, Chairman, Second Order on the Second Day. (Minutes, 1888, p. 203; 1889, p. 253)

XXVI. Synodical Communion on Thursday evening, as provided for by Rule 17.

XXVII. Time and Place of Next Meeting of Synod.

XXVIII. How many Copies of the Minutes shall be Published.

XXIX. Statistical Report of the Synod to the General Assembly adopted.

XXX. Roll Called before Final Adjournment.

XXXI. Minutes Read and Approved.

XXXII. Adjournment with Singing, Prayer, and the Apostolic Benediction.